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STATISTICS OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

I.—POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS.

Population of Metropolitan Area, Estimate, 31st December, 1926, Males, 92,313 ;
Females, 91,910 ; Total, 184,223.

No. 1.—Population of Western Australia (exclusive of full-blood Aborigines*) from 1916.

Period.	Estimated Population on last day of period.			Increase during period.	Masculinity.‡	Mean Population.
	Males.	Females.	Total.			
1916	159,237	147,643	306,880	†9,783	3·78	313,066
1921	178,500	157,215	335,715	4,392	6·34	333,782
1922	183,386	160,222	343,608	7,893	6·74	339,983
1923	189,429	164,886	353,815	10,207	7·08	348,275
1924	195,341	168,783	364,124	10,309	7·29	359,521
1925	199,596	172,587	372,183	8,059	7·26	368,193
First Quarter, 1926	199,838	172,894	372,732	549	7·23	372,458
Second Quarter, 1926	201,076	174,082	375,158	2,426	7·19	373,945
Third Quarter, 1926 <i>a</i>	202,065	174,882	376,947	1,789	7·21	376,053
October, 1926	202,377	175,082	377,459	512	7·49	377,203
November, 1926	202,947	175,379	378,326	869	7·29	377,894
December, 1926	203,762	175,631	379,393	1,067	7·41	378,861
Fourth Quarter, 1926	203,762	175,631	379,393	2,446	7·41	378,170

* Estimated Full blooded Aboriginal Population in the State on 30th June, 1926: 22,222.

† Decrease. § Number of Males over Females in each 100 of total population. *a* Revised from preceding issue.

No. 2.—Arrivals in and Departures* from Western Australia from 1916.

Period.	Arrivals.			Departures.*			Excess of Arrivals over Departures.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
1916	11,591	7,731	19,322	25,702	8,881	34,583	†14,111	†1,150	†15,261
1921	17,455	11,878	29,333	17,629	11,639	29,268	†174	239	65
1922	19,754	11,387	31,141	17,037	11,175	28,212	2,717	212	2,929
1923	21,617	12,218	33,835	17,681	10,871	28,552	3,936	1,347	5,283
1924	22,217	12,978	35,195	18,481	11,443	29,924	3,736	1,535	5,271
1925	20,358	12,562	32,920	18,156	11,575	29,731	2,202	987	3,189
First Quarter, 1926	5,284	3,257	8,541	5,653	3,702	9,355	†369	†445	†814
Second Quarter, 1926	4,978	3,275	8,253	4,284	2,772	7,056	694	503	1,197
Third Quarter, 1926 <i>a</i>	3,883	2,129	6,012	3,373	1,972	5,345	510	157	667
October, 1926	1,754	1,056	2,810	1,611	1,076	2,687	143	†20	123
November, 1926	1,702	998	2,700	1,336	932	2,268	366	66	432
December, 1926	2,267	1,448	3,715	1,633	1,431	3,064	634	17	651
Fourth Quarter, 1926... ..	5,723	3,502	9,225	4,580	3,439	8,019	1,143	63	1,206

* Including allowance for unrecorded departures.

† Excess of departures over arrivals.

a Figures revised from preceding issue.

No. 3.—Assisted and Nominated Immigration from 1916.

Period.	Adults (12 years and upwards).			Children under 12 years of age.			Total.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
1916	7	58	65	16	22	38	23	80	103
1921 <i>a</i>	1,833	887	2,720	349	312	661	2,182	1,199	3,381
1922 <i>a</i>	2,921	909	3,830	262	276	538	3,183	1,185	4,368
1923 <i>a</i>	4,855	1,467	6,322	734	604	1,338	5,589	2,071	7,660
1924 <i>a</i>	2,984	1,614	4,598	1,111	1,006	2,117	4,095	2,620	6,715
1925 <i>a</i>	2,048	1,118	3,166	439	406	845	2,487	1,524	4,011
1926, First Quarter	319	147	466	79	62	141	398	209	607
1926, Second Quarter	583	360	943	137	114	251	720	474	1,194
1926, Third Quarter	507	309	816	143	111	254	650	420	1,070
1926, Fourth Quarter	642	292	934	122	102	224	764	394	1,158

a Including Immigrants under the Ex-Service Scheme.

No. 4.—Number of Marriages, Births, and Deaths registered in Western Australia from 1916.

Period.	Marriages Registered.	Births Registered.			Deaths Registered.			Excess of Births over Deaths.	Annual Birth, Death, and Marriage Rate per 1,000 of Mean Population.		
		M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.		Birth Rate.	Death Rate.	Marriage Rate.
1916	2,365	4,439	4,124	8,563	1,981	1,104	3,085	5,478	27·35	9·85	7·55
1921	2,656	3,988	3,819	7,807	2,209	1,271	3,480	4,327	23·39	10·43	7·96
1922	2,446	4,163	3,968	8,131	1,994	1,173	3,167	4,964	23·92	9·32	7·19
1923	2,376	4,014	3,840	7,854	1,907	1,023	2,930	4,924	22·55	8·41	6·82
1924	2,596	4,215	4,086	8,301	2,039	1,224	3,263	5,038	23·09	9·08	7·22
1925	2,746	4,210	3,975	8,185	2,157	1,158	3,315	4,870	22·23	9·00	7·46
First Quarter, 1926...	690	1,130	1,033	2,163	519	281	800	1,363	23·55	8·71	7·51
Second Quarter, 1926	703	1,064	996	2,060	520	311	831	1,229	22·10	8·91	7·54
Third Quarter, 1926 a	685	1,089	976	2,065	610	333	943	1,122	21·79	9·95	7·23
October, 1926 ...	216	323	325	648	154	105	259	389	20·23	8·08	6·74
November, 1926 ...	250	365	322	687	161	91	252	437	22·12	8·11	8·34
December, 1926 ...	290	342	337	679	161	102	263	416	21·10	8·17	9·01
Fourth Quarter, 1926	765	1,030	984	2,014	476	298	774	1,240	21·13	8·12	8·03

a Revised figures from preceding issue.

II.—CENSUS OF 1921.

NOTE.—All figures are exclusive of full-blooded aborigines.

No. 5.—Summary of Populations of Local Government Areas in Western Australia on 4th April, 1921.

Local Government Areas.	Population.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.
Municipalities—			
Metropolitan	59,284	64,380	123,664
Other	21,291	21,280	42,571
Total	80,575	85,660	166,235
Road Districts	92,502	68,805	161,307
Migratory †	4,201	989	5,190
Total for the State	177,278	155,454	332,732
Census, 3-4-11	161,565	120,549	282,114

† Includes Half-Caste Aborigines, Railway Travellers, and Shipping.

III.—FINANCE.

No. 6.—State Revenue, July, 1926, to December, 1926.

Particulars.	3 Mths. July—Sept. 1926.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Particulars.	3 Mths. July—Sept. 1926.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
GOVERNMENTAL TAXATION.	£	£	£	£	PUBLIC UTILITIES.	£	£	£	£
Land Tax	23,958	7,743	6,647	6,151	Aborig. Cattle Stn.	569	85	...	174
Income Tax	68,290	21,801	11,883	12,638	Bunbury Harb. Bd.	5,250	1,500	2,000	1,500
Dividend Duty	26,254	20,902	12,517	9,013	Butter Factories ...	2,445	1,405	541	73
Totalisator Tax	6,626	3,627	4,899	5,010	Electricity Supply	31,721	19,127	17,972	17,276
Stamp Duty	58,668	17,753	21,724	21,229	Fmle. Harb. Trust	44,054	17,685	26,685	17,685
Probate Duty	16,572	2,788	2,144	6,225	Goldf. Water Suply	22,519	10,078	10,304	10,089
Licenses	3,467	543	2,331	22,328	Gov. Rfrig. Works	311	172	200	239
Total	203,835	75,157	62,145	82,594	Kalgoorlie Ab'toirs	681	151	358	206
TERRITORIAL.					Met. Ab'toirs and				
Land Revenue	128,141	15,930	12,449	10,214	Saleyards ...	11,205	3,887	3,966	4,330
Timber Revenue	2,693	16,297	13,253	12,409	Met. Water Supply,				
Mining Revenue	30,546	931	616	660	etc.	43,401	32,250	38,706	32,073
Sandalwood ... ..	...	...	...	10,858	Other Hydril. Wks.	6,126	2,645	3,313	2,036
Total	161,380	33,158	26,318	34,141	Perth City Markets	246	97	58	129
Law Courts	9,378	3,149	3,905	3,655	Railways	655,182	269,862	295,074	314,323
Reimbursement Fees	256,302	39,832	27,601	346,483	State Batteries ...	2,135	413	971	1,162
Royal Mint	3,273	990	1,000	1,068	Tourists Res'ts, etc.	1,204	1,014	1,472	1,606
COMMONWEALTH.					Tramways (Perth)	67,856	23,234	24,146	25,604
Surplus Revenue	140,862	47,160	47,160	47,160	Recoup*	157	96	79	49,570
Interest on Transferred Properties	...	...	...	...	Balance transferred*	3,008	1,000	...	10,300
Disabilities Grant ...	141,480	47,366	47,057	47,057	Total	898,070	384,701	425,845	488,375
Total, Governmental ...	916,510	246,812	215,186	562,158	GRAND TOTAL	1,814,580	631,513	641,031	1,050,533

* State Trading Concerns.

No. 7.—State Expenditure, July, 1926, to Dec., 1926.

Particulars.	3 Mths. July— Sept., 1926.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Particulars.	3 Mths. July— Sept., 1926.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
ESTABLISHMENTS.	£	£	£	£	<i>Special Acts.</i>	£	£	£	£
H.E. the Governor	529	156	149	195	Constitution Act ...	2,662	888	887	887
Legislative Council	295	98	98	428	Loan Acts ...	857,906	286,646	287,607	288,087
Legislative Assembly	555	169	178	602	Aborigines ...	3,923	1,169	1,755	2,187
House Committee ...	1,641	517	450	184	Annuities ...	42	21	21	21
Printing Committee	966	327	326	588	Auditor General ...	200	67	67	67
Library Committee	96	55	13	24	Com. of Railways	500	167	167	167
Total ...	4,082	1,322	1,214	2,021	Com'wlth. Pensions	1,124	320	306	307
<i>Departments, etc.</i>					Arbitration ...	800	267	267	266
Premier's Office ...	3,938	1,309	1,180	2,964	Fire B'gde Board	2,956	2,956	...	...
Executive Council ...	2	...	1	...	Consvtr. of Forests	213	71	71	71
London Agency ...	2,501	653	935	1,356	Forests Act ...	14,083	6,147	6,690	7,093
P.S. Commissioner	321	100	114	188	Judges' Pensions...	392	154	225	154
Motor Cars ...	2,000	335	692	327	Judges' Salaries...	1,775	592	592	592
Printing ...	16,202	5,565	6,636	5,924	Land Improvement	...	...	...	7,500
Tourist and Pub- licity ...	381	141	134	218	Parliamentary Al- lowances ...	12,044	4,016	4,011	4,017
Literary and Scien- tific ...	2,515	831	785	1,028	Pensions Act ...	7,761	3,822	4,084	4,008
Forests ...	5,526	1,673	1,681	2,468	P.S. Commissioner	233	77	77	115
Commonwealth Gnts	...	...	...	52,275	Royal Mint ...	6,250	2,083	2,083	2,083
Treasury ...	4,200	1,320	1,464	2,208	Tramway Purchase	10	...	...	...
Audit ...	3,173	1,033	1,262	1,610	W.A. University	5,000	1,666	1,667	2,417
Allowances ...	1,470	1,080	1,183	81	Total ...	917,874	311,129	310,577	320,039
Stores ...	4,208	1,301	1,312	1,621					
Taxation ...	190	67	7,362	61					
Miscellaneous ...	15,510	3,069	8,429	4,322					
Lands and Surveys	17,862	4,625	7,809	10,182					
Agricultural Indus- tries, etc. ...	750	250	Cr. 750	250					
Group Settlements	...	100	Cr 100	...					
Immigration ...	1,796	597	536	334	<i>Business</i>				
Council Indus. Dev.	242	90	92	128	<i>Undertakings.</i>				
Mines ...	20,538	5,724	6,768	10,332	Ab. Cattle Station	694	263	200	232
Agriculture ...	15,850	4,738	6,799	5,509	Albany Cold Stores	61	...	...	...
College of Agri- culture ...	701	256	1,018	433	Butter Factories ...	2,728	1,523	255	20
Crown Law ...	20,318	7,656	6,504	9,085	G'ds. Water Sup- ply ...	24,422	9,066	13,456	16,201
Police ...	49,123	16,001	16,523	23,374	Gov. Refg. Works	1,034	380	446	379
Chief Sec. Office ...	4,246	1,226	1,216	1,443	Kalg. Abattoirs ...	527	156	300	278
Aborigines, S.W. ...	...	...	...	...	Metro. Abattoirs and Saleyards	5,826	1,286	3,517	1,468
Fisheries ...	1,381	409	440	529	Met. Water Supply	21,927	6,926	8,637	27,492
Registry and Friend- ly Societies ...	2,580	640	657	952	Other Hydraulic Undertakings...	4,917	2,217	1,774	1,400
Gaols ...	5,654	2,571	1,847	2,227	Perth City Markets	202	94	73	46
Harbour and Light	5,871	1,962	1,995	1 518	Railways ...	539,211	203,151	205,165	206,508
Lunacy ...	21,880	10,570	9,052	7,973	Tramways ...	45,398	17,578	20,240	17,841
Observatory ...	371	117	126	198	Electricity Supply	33,858	12,809	12,572	13,194
State Children	26,190	9,056	8,530	10,588	State Batteries ...	6,255	2,994	2,282	2,819
Labour Bureau ...	571	140	173	200	Tourist Resorts ...	1,414	641	1,095	1,420
Education ...	149,012	49,893	65,073	55,263	Avon Valley Cattle Station ...	...	843	141	74
Medical ...	45,241	15,558	17,543	13,800	Total ...	688,474	259,927	270,153	289,372
Health ...	2,622	1,585	423	2,768					
North-West Dept.	924	...	...	...		
Aborigines, N.W.	...	...	...	...	
Works and Build- ings ...	14,513	5,814	4,131	5,278					
Labour ...	2,857	564	934	988					
Total ...	472,306	158,619	190,509	240,003	GRAND TOTAL ...	2,082,736	730,997	772,453	851,435

No. 8.—State Trading Concerns, July, 1926, to Dec., 1926.

Name, Concern.	DEBITS.				CREDITS.			
	3 months, July—Sept., 1926.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	3 months, July—Sept., 1926.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Brickworks ...	10,215	5,178	4,065	8,373	11,434	4,813	3,677	7,158
Ferries ...	2,088	641	709	1,235	1,859	703	825	1,191
Hotels ...	20,726	5,632	5,866	8,576	16,290	5,382	7,612	3,850
Implement and Engin- eering Works ...	47,572	16,951	18,173	35,883	32,748	16,523	14,057	18,127
Quarry, Boya ...	6,434	2,403	2,043	4,020	4,633	3,067	3,924	2,418
Saw Mills ...	213,657	61,192	67,462	98,101	173,031	58,744	70,456	60,224
Shipping Service ...	41,568	23,779	10,042	76,982	39,338	8,533	17,964	50,836
Wyndham Freezing Works ...	152,517	12,861	15,250	5,784	127,938	50,127	40,942	25,793
Total ...	494,777	128,637	123,610	238,954	407,271	147,892	159,457	169,597

No. 9.—Summary of State Revenue, 1st July, 1916, to 31st December, 1926.

Period.	Collected by the State.					From Common- wealth Funds.	Total State Revenue.	Mean Popula- tion.	Revenue Per head of Popu- lation.
	Taxation.	Land, Timber, and Mining.	Business Concerns.		Other Sources.				
			* Railways.	Other.					
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£		£
1916-17 ...	402,337	330,148	2,004,148	759,200	486,707	594,467	4,577,007	308,756	14·824
1921-22 ...	881,159	435,188	3,054,259	991,079	961,655	583,767	6,907,107	336,421	20·531
1922-23 ...	987,558	403,335	3,150,037	985,865	1,097,511	583,186	7,207,492	343,947	20·995
1923-24 ...	1,173,568	462,656	3,465,297	1,045,605	1,132,745	585,723	7,865,594	353,651	22·241
1924-25 ...	1,224,030	502,224	3,616,426	1,104,120	1,346,511	588,135	8,381,446	364,322	23·006
1925-26 ...	1,418,050	541,738	3,604,914	1,183,440	1,471,513	588,511	8,808,166	371,577	23·705
July - Dec., 1926 ...	423,731	254,997	1,675,281	521,710	696,636	565,302	4,137,657	377,111	10·972

* Including Perth Electric Tramways.

No. 10.—Summary of State Expenditure, from 1st July, 1916, to 31st December, 1926.

Period.	Interest and Sinking Funds, Public Debt.	Lands, Surveys, Forests, and Mines.	Business Concerns.		Education.	All other.	Total State Expenditure.	Per head of Population.	Debit Balance at end of period.
			* Railways.	Other.					
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1916-17 ...	1,765,839	121,071	1,546,450	410,094	347,632	1,085,678	5,276,764	17·090	2,060,722
1921-22 ...	2,437,371	232,018	2,553,124	517,981	571,025	1,327,723	7,639,242	22·707	5,505,565
1922-23 ...	2,575,069	224,349	2,427,946	505,084	580,182	1,300,226	7,612,856	22·134	5,910,929
1923-24 ...	2,833,977	244,951	2,542,783	499,222	597,547	1,376,273	8,094,753	22·889	6,140,088
1924-25 ...	3,096,564	229,854	2,601,033	506,557	603,964	1,401,872	8,439,844	23·165	6,198,494
1925-26 ...	3,298,229	254,159	2,764,144	534,666	615,209	1,440,902	8,907,309	23·972	6,297,628
July - Dec., 1926 ...	1,720,246	129,627	1,256,103	252,834	329,991	748,820	4,437,621	11·767	6,597,593

* Including Perth Electric Tramways.

† Includes £6,140,087 transferred to Deficiency Account.

No. 11.—Public Debt, 1917 to 1926 ; also Indebtedness per head of Estimated Population.

Date.	Amount outstanding.				Average nominal interest payable.	Accrued Sinking Fund on 31st March.	Net Indebtedness (Approximate).	
	Debentures.	Inscribed Stock.	Treasury Bills and Bonds, etc.	Total.			Amount.	Per head of Population.
30th June—1917 ...	£ 1,147,410	£ 33,866,076	£ 5,901,340	£ 40,914,826	% 3·77	£ 5,035,963	£ 35,878,863	£ 116·205
1922 ...	1,280,910	40,837,171	12,841,697	54,959,778	4·20	8,370,160	46,589,618	137·005
1923 ...	1,270,010	43,401,448	13,814,396	58,485,854	4·34	8,781,051	49,704,803	142·781
1924 ...	1,042,127	44,589,613	16,134,042	62,765,782	4·43	9,373,571	53,392,211	148·174
1925 ...	1,652,927	47,375,806	11,464,528	64,493,261	4·49	9,985,031	54,508,130	148·109
1926† ...	4,828,815	52,544,658	12,637,448	70,010,921	4·50	10,654,493	59,356,428	158·217
31st Dec., 1926	3,495,139	54,837,477	12,437,038	70,769,654	4·50	*10,964,844	59,804,810	157·633

* On 30th September, 1926.

† Corrected from previous issue.

No. 12.—Transactions of Commonwealth Savings Bank in Western Australia from 1st July, 1916.

Period.	* Amount deposited during period.	* Amount withdrawn during period.	Excess of Deposits over Withdrawals.	Interest.	Number of Accounts.			Due to Depositors at end of period.	Average to credit of each account.	Average per head of population.
					Opened.	Closed.	Remaining open.			
	£	£	£	£	No.	No.	No.	£	£	£
1916-17 ...	973,519	667,375	306,144	23,525	10,030	3,410	30,162	1,025,661	34·005	3·349
1921-1922...	2,032,159	1,868,326	163,833	59,561	9,812	5,734	57,261	1,961,865	34·262	5·769
1922-1923...	2,103,876	1,951,193	152,682	65,138	9,975	5,399	61,837	2,099,187	33·947	6·030
1923-1924...	2,381,223	2,159,072	222,152	67,700	11,718	5,594	67,961	2,298,027	33·814	6·377
1924-1925...	2,306,620	2,263,109	43,511	72,970	11,234	6,456	72,739	2,332,647	32·069	6·338
1925-1926...	2,522,246	2,319,268	202,978	77,478	12,441	7,198	77,982	2,541,829	32·595	6·775
Sept., 1926	670,312	609,161	61,151	†352	3,719	2,067	79,634	2,591,254	32·540	6·874

* Exclusive of transfers from and to other States of the Commonwealth, but including interest on accounts closed.

† Interest credited for period.

No. 13.—Transactions of the State Government Savings Bank from 1916.

Period.	Amount deposited.	Amount withdrawn.	Interest.	Number of Accounts			Due to Depositors.	Average per Account.	*Average per head of population.
				Opened.	Closed.	Remaining open.			
	£	£	£	No.	No.	No.	£	£	£
1916-17	3,523,851	3,471,959	151,414	17,226	12,146	115,014	4,780,734	41·567	15·609
1921-22	5,276,218	5,571,830	186,683	17,836	13,914	141,844	5,736,319	40·441	17·048
1922-23	5,321,616	5,380,577	188,928	17,871	12,656	147,059	5,866,236	39·891	17·047
1923-24	5,696,912	5,904,923	187,415	18,920	12,847	153,132	5,845,690	38·174	16·429
1924-25	5,796,113	5,940,535	191,934	23,991	17,515	159,608	5,893,202	36·923	16·225
1925-26	6,312,143	6,061,332	202,700	22,587	15,132	167,063	6,346,713	37·990	17·137
6 months ended 31st December, 1926 ...	3,483,260	3,474,527	†3,855	11,240	7,262	171,041	¶6,359,301	37·180	16·977

§ SCHOOLS SAVINGS BANK.

	18,785	13,987	802	5,775	2,726	26,031	35,216	1·353	**0·736
1916-17									
1921-22	33,599	27,036	1,481	6,859	3,822	38,400	61,133	1·592	**1·214
1922-23	34,361	29,226	1,679	6,601	3,683	41,318	67,947	1·644	**1·329
1923-24	36,171	31,556	1,868	6,441	4,010	43,749	74,430	1·701	**1·448
1924-25	36,872	35,209	1,992	5,820	4,215	45,354	78,085	1·722	**1·521
1925-26	37,509	36,415	2,104	5,980	4,026	47,308	81,282	1·718	**1·572
6 months ended 31st December, 1926 ...	21,085	20,921	†27	2,150	2,037	47,421	¶81,473	1·718	**1·595

* Including Schools Savings Bank Deposits. † Interest on those accounts only which were closed during the period.
 § Worked in connection with Government Savings Bank. ¶ Exclusive of accrued interest from 1st July, 1926.
 ** Per head of number of school children on the Roll.

No. 14.—Averages from 1916 of the Weekly Statements of Liabilities and Assets of the Cheque-paying Banks (formerly Banks of Issue) operating in Western Australia.

Weekly average clearances, Perth Banks, during the quarter ended 27th December, 1926, was £2,136,995 as compared with £1,997,131 during December quarter of 1925.

Period.		No. of Banks.	Liabilities.							Total Average Liabilities.
			Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Balances due to other Banks.	Deposits.				
						Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.		
			£	£	£	£	£	£	£	
1916	...	8	27,632	67,283	294,492	4,080,959	3,968,365	8,049,324	8,438,731	
1921	...	9	26,353	187,329	321,907	6,092,087	5,909,691	12,001,778	12,537,367	
1922	...	10	26,090	207,265	300,378	5,967,364	6,292,335	12,259,699	12,793,432	
1923	...	11	25,651	200,889	259,443	5,803,305	6,871,113	12,674,418	13,160,401	
1924	...	11	25,674	193,844	222,607	6,213,343	6,909,009	13,122,352	13,564,477	
1925	...	11	25,296	179,693	398,084	6,953,777	6,646,085	13,599,862	14,202,935	
1926, 1st Quarter	...	† 12	25,288	181,104	768,680	7,153,038	7,209,957	14,362,995	15,338,067	
1926, 2nd Quarter	...	12	25,285	158,636	452,926	6,564,266	7,960,055	14,524,321	15,161,168	
1926, 3rd Quarter	...	12	25,275	135,205	427,226	6,167,676	8,382,380	14,550,056	15,137,762	
1926, 4th Quarter	...	12	25,262	172,432	585,997	5,750,852	8,525,583	14,276,435	15,060,126	

Period.		Assets.								
		Coin'd Gold, Silver, and other metals.	Gold and Silver in Bullion and Bars.	Government, Municipal, and Public Securities.	Landed Property and Bank Premises.	Australian Notes.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	Balances due from other Banks.	Notes and Bills discounted, and other Debts.	Total Average Assets.
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	
1916	...	3,079,893	434,706	696,327	227,868	1,382,616	109,923	490,926	9,317,390	15,739,649
1921	...	1,418,827	170,171	799,417	235,588	1,984,106	143,385	676,357	10,916,295	16,344,146
1922	...	1,363,208	162,909	886,434	271,235	1,729,053	156,906	639,844	10,765,515	15,975,104
1923	...	1,481,347	156,631	923,208	322,241	1,768,824	189,666	630,824	11,397,913	16,870,654
1924	...	1,508,383	143,360	879,726	333,332	1,920,326	222,763	436,888	11,656,474	17,101,252
1925	...	1,831,641	136,917	863,272	380,282	*2,102,707	234,966	357,287	12,047,609	17,954,681
1926, 1st Qr.	...	2,681,720	129,976	872,487	405,032	2,670,458	250,355	289,384	12,552,205	19,851,617
1926, 2nd Qr.	...	2,883,528	159,060	941,371	416,084	1,901,712	227,384	344,865	13,192,366	20,066,370
1926, 3rd Qr.	...	2,030,038	130,918	1,022,070	419,927	1,765,807	204,488	269,037	12,267,422	20,109,707
1926, 4th Qr.	...	1,854,308	132,828	1,038,513	424,834	2,202,793	221,690	260,540	15,243,679	21,379,185

* From 1925 including cash with Commonwealth Bank. † The Australian Bank of Commerce started operations in Western Australia on the 4th January, 1926.

IV.—SHIPPING.

No. 15.—Number and Net Tonnage of Vessels (including Vessels trading only within the State and Vessels calling at more than one Port) entered and cleared at each Western Australian Port during the Three Months ended 30th September, 1926.

ENTERED.

Ports.	Oversea.				Inter-State.				Local Vessels trading within the State.		Total.	
	Via Ports within the State.		From Ports outside the State.		Via Ports within the State.		From Ports outside the State.					
	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.
Fremantle ...	8	16,367	64	342,517	6	33,124	54	274,237	12	17,818	144	684,063
Albany ...	...	...	6	38,002	...	...	11	51,594	16	23,813	33	113,409
Broome ...	5	9,210	...	...	1	1,844	...	...	17	28,835	23	39,889
Bunbury ...	1	2,915	4	12,026	2	8,309	3	9,403	21	43,745	31	76,398
Busselton ...	...	...	1	3,788	...	...	1	4,772	8	7,091	10	15,651
Carnarvon ...	6	11,916	1	1,168	...	...	...	...	23	42,236	30	55,320
Cossack ...	4	7,476	...	...	...	...	...	...	18	32,316	22	39,792
Derby ...	1	2,706	5	9,210	1	1,844	...	...	14	25,988	21	39,748
Geraldton ...	2	3,820	...	...	1	1,844	...	...	14	26,784	17	32,448
Onslow ...	6	11,916	...	...	1	1,844	...	...	16	31,510	23	45,270
Port Hedland ...	5	9,210	...	...	1	1,844	...	...	18	23,717	24	34,771
Wyndham ...	2	7,761	1	2,706	...	...	3	9,582	2	4,550	8	24,599

CLEARED.

Ports.	Oversea.				Inter-State.				Local Vessels trading within the State.		Total.	
	Via Ports within the State.		For Ports outside the State.		Via Ports within the State.		For Ports outside the State.					
	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.
Fremantle ...	11	28,443	52	283,023	11	30,962	56	317,094	19	37,115	149	696,637
Albany ...	1	9,053	3	18,049	...	...	10	55,275	18	32,390	32	114,767
Broome ...	5	8,826	1	1,734	1	1,844	...	...	17	27,553	24	39,957
Bunbury ...	...	...	16	58,056	...	...	10	19,578	5	2,200	31	79,834
Busselton ...	2	8,560	...	...	3	4,891	...	...	5	2,200	10	15,651
Carnarvon ...	6	10,560	1	1,255	1	1,844	...	...	23	42,916	31	56,575
Cossack ...	6	10,560	...	...	1	1,844	...	...	17	29,248	24	41,652
Derby ...	...	...	6	10,560	1	1,844	...	...	14	27,344	21	39,748
Geraldton ...	7	12,360	1	2,706	1	1,844	...	...	8	15,538	17	32,448
Onslow ...	6	10,560	...	...	1	1,844	...	...	17	32,931	24	45,335
Port Hedland ...	6	10,560	...	...	1	1,844	...	...	17	22,367	24	34,771
Wyndham ...	1	3,620	3	11,879	...	...	1	1,844	3	7,256	8	24,599

No. 16.—Number and Net Tonnage of Vessels entered and cleared at Western Australian Ports, from and to Ports outside the State, during the undermentioned Periods.

Year.	Inwards.		Outwards.		Inwards and Outwards.	
	Vessels.	Tons.	Vessels.	Tons.	Vessels.	Tons.
1916-17 ...	728	2,548,839	731	2,557,986	1,459	5,106,325
1921-22 ...	877	3,239,392	874	3,231,366	1,751	6,470,758
1922-23 ...	708	3,166,116	709	3,087,946	1,417	6,524,062
1923-24 ...	673	3,097,386	673	3,101,166	1,346	6,198,552
1924-25 ...	807	3,666,226	805	3,657,529	1,612	7,323,755
1925-26 ...	684	3,268,883	685	3,256,132	1,369	6,525,015
Three months ended 30th Sept., 1926 ...	154	759,005	160	781,053	314	1,540,058

V.—CUSTOMS AND EXCISE COLLECTIONS.

No. 17.—Gross Customs, Excise, and other Collections in Western Australia during the undermentioned Periods.

Stations.	Year ended 30th June, 1926.				Six months ended 31st December, 1926.			
	Customs.	Excise.	Other.	Total.	Customs.	Excise.	Other.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fremantle ...	1,357,637	606,946	61,583	2,026,166	815,354	326,491	32,205	1,174,050
Perth ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Albany ...	9,582	6,188	6,035	21,805	5,333	2,485	3,411	11,229
Broome ...	10,096	40	235	10,371	5,714	29	52	5,795
Bunbury ...	4,164	50	2,480	6,694	4,203	...	1,097	5,300
Busselton ...	55	...	718	773	28	...	303	331
Carnarvon ...	3,156	...	145	3,301	2,361	...	100	2,461
Derby ...	165	...	56	221	453	...	27	480
Geraldton ...	8,267	11,314	1,919	21,500	4,182	5,677	26	9,885
Onslow ...	780	64	60	904	440	34	28	502
Port Hedland ...	673	...	50	723	559	...	38	597
Roebourne ...	709	...	91	800	385	...	67	452
Wyndham ...	21	35	9	65	63	13	9	85
Other ...	...	...	300	300	...	...	111	111
Total ...	1,395,305	624,637	73,681	2,093,623	839,075	334,729	37,474	1,211,278

VI.—TRADE.

No. 18.—Value of Imports into Western Australia during the undermentioned periods, showing origin and value per head of mean population.

Country of Origin.*	1916-17.	1921-22.	1922-23.	1923-24.	1924-25.	1925-26.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
United Kingdom	2,598,834	2,823,829	4,305,108	3,737,593	4,204,487	3,915,891
Other States of Commonwealth	4,998,623	6,880,037	6,465,587	6,749,087	7,105,929	7,644,962
New Zealand	41,824	27,187	37,488	56,355	39,792	42,666
Other British Possessions ...	702,896	688,176	766,826	974,334	1,159,747	1,278,257
Total, British	8,342,177	10,419,229	11,575,009	11,517,369	12,509,955	12,881,776
Foreign Countries	1,042,833	1,618,550	2,202,670	2,826,776	3,564,080	3,580,796
Grand Total	9,385,010	12,037,779	13,777,679	14,344,145	16,074,035	16,462,572
Value of Imports per head of Mean Population	30.396	35.782	40.058	40.555	44.120	44.305

*In previous issues figures were shown according to country of Shipment.

No. 19.—Value of Exports from Western Australia during the undermentioned periods, showing destination and value per head of mean population.

Exports to.	1916-17.	1921-22.	1922-23.	1923-24.	1924-25.	1925-26.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
United Kingdom	2,809,700	4,869,531	4,106,769	4,838,768	5,368,479	5,217,871
Other States of Commonwealth	9,748,865	2,261,247	1,126,223	1,463,945	1,311,688	1,438,122
New Zealand	17,769	48,746	64,370	109,646	100,809	116,092
Other British Possessions ...	1,174,117	4,582,137	3,123,629	3,198,417	1,729,289	3,155,708
Total, British	13,745,451	11,761,661	8,420,991	9,610,776	8,510,265	9,927,793
Foreign Countries	643,982	1,296,586	2,384,728	4,265,794	5,660,921	4,121,960
Ships' Stores	293,594	570,636	299,501	246,719	493,362	531,904
Grand Total	14,683,027	13,628,883	11,105,220	14,123,289	14,664,548	14,581,657
Value of Exports per head of Mean Population	47.555	40.511	32.288	39.931	40.252	39.243

No. 20.—Total Value of Imports into, and Exports from, the State of Western Australia, from and to the other States of the Commonwealth during the undermentioned periods.

Origin.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
IMPORTS—YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1926.							
Australian	3,286,971	3,216,267	142,918	841,638	110,083	47,085	7,644,962
Oversea	441,440	355,217	2,914	118,388	3,375	102	921,436
Total	3,728,411	3,571,484	145,832	960,026	113,458	47,187	8,566,398
EXPORTS*—YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1926.							
West Australian	202,916	371,662	13,966	535,281	3,973	392	1,128,190
Other Australian	22,612	54,141	580	29,082	473	109	106,997
Oversea	35,833	93,563	28,257	44,101	269	912	202,935
Total	261,361	519,366	42,803	608,464	4,715	1,413	1,438,122
IMPORTS—SIX MONTHS ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1926.							
Australian	1,583,282	1,783,184	40,772	467,657	59,325	625	3,934,845
Oversea	240,659	177,341	822	61,981	1,425	18	482,246
Total	1,823,941	1,960,525	41,594	529,638	60,750	643	4,417,091
EXPORTS*—SIX MONTHS ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1926.							
West Australian	138,674	217,765	9,697	268,202	2,462	627	637,427
Other Australian	15,616	29,860	3,132	14,763	437	124	63,932
Oversea	17,562	19,843	1,757	37,441	46	340	76,989
Total	171,852	267,468	14,586	320,406	2,945	1,091	778,348

*Exclusive of Ships' Stores.

No. 21.—Value of Imports into Western Australia during 1916-17 and each of the Five Years ended 30th June, 1922 to 1926, distinguishing the more important articles or groups of articles.

Articles.	1916-17.	1921-22.	1922-23.	1923-24.	1924-25.	1925-26.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Coin and Bullion	2,800	25,853	23,500	13,195	13,891	57,924
Meat and Fish (fresh and preserved)	134,458	141,699	150,487	209,540	381,720	225,917
Spirits, Beer, and Wine	240,431	245,778	231,494	265,181	283,865	268,499
Tobacco, Cigars, and Cigarettes	276,843	645,692	562,311	575,563	631,901	709,636
Live Cattle, Sheep, Horses, and Pigs	66,734	193,265	186,212	227,971	314,654	243,450
Bacon, Hams, Tongues, Butter, Cheese, Eggs, and Tinned Milk	776,016	894,153	939,738	1,009,554	1,018,945	1,113,810
Sugar	355,082	669,352	593,240	568,649	584,581	604,444
Wearing Apparel, Drapery, Piece Goods, Hats and Bonnets, Blankets, Boots and Shoes, Sewing Silks and Cottons	1,807,507	2,177,891	2,942,565	3,026,009	3,279,939	3,227,334
Timber, Cement, and Furniture	158,278	221,655	169,332	177,266	211,722	177,029
Ammunition and Explosives	288,145	210,942	144,379	150,178	193,584	122,555
Oils	274,875	387,609	448,949	533,403	875,297	1,018,690
Rubber Goods	95,555	132,542	185,123	218,506	289,543	433,759
Machines, Machinery, Pumps, Apparatus for raising water, and Tools	500,307	907,434	887,751	1,341,481	1,560,721	1,639,254
Iron, Steel, Ironmongery, Metal and Metalware, Cutlery, Hardware, Nails, Screws, etc.	730,787	1,110,532	1,841,758	1,532,606	1,431,716	1,434,075
Vehicles and Parts	123,941	320,324	519,613	859,092	1,084,768	1,201,667
Wheat, Flour, Oats, Oatmeal, Malt, Bran and Pollard, Potatoes and Onions	121,477	202,047	152,610	158,612	149,077	178,349
Jams, Jellies, and Fruits	160,416	254,927	222,657	250,495	263,347	247,695
Tea	150,947	204,510	231,108	268,464	291,191	298,250
Coal and Coke	171,771	215,040	102,136	76,561	137,696	138,179
Paper, Books, and Stationery	338,843	297,017	352,555	368,854	398,310	398,185
Cyanide	122,680	56,382	49,665	54,432	25,475	42,467
Jewellery, Clocks and Watches, and Fancy Goods	100,556	95,990	137,167	130,263	136,696	150,455
Drugs, Chemicals, and Medicines	325,387	277,069	*606,827	*385,168	*404,193	*406,013
All other Articles	2,062,074	2,150,076	2,091,506	1,943,102	2,101,203	2,124,936
Total	9,385,010	12,037,779	13,777,679	14,344,145	16,074,035	16,462,572

* Including fertilisers.

No. 22.—Value of the more important Products of Western Australian Origin exported, including Ships' Stores, and of the total Exports; also the total Production of Coal; during 1916-17, and each of the Five Years ended 30th June, 1922 to 1926, and after.

Articles.	1916-17.	1921-22.	1922-23.	1923-24.	1924-25.	1925-26.	July-Dec., 1926.
Gold-Specie	£ 9,120,061	£ 2,948,501	£ 2,218,887	£ 1,921,764	£ 516,140	852,930	620,000
†Gold, Uncoined	£ 58,500	d 33,058	d 27,607	d 404,836	d 171,639	207,350	234,781
Wool ... { Quantity... .. lb.	24,405,283	58,692,503	41,923,043	43,875,108	35,015,746	49,689,088	32,195,720
Value £	1,420,291	3,202,145	3,232,596	4,237,152	3,736,300	3,527,865	2,011,368
Timber	£ 310,983	1,040,640	997,454	1,367,713	1,477,997	1,522,958	878,760
Hides and Skins	£ 222,506	365,149	545,977	520,248	477,437	461,303	229,753
Pearls and Shell	£ 208,486	281,100	252,578	337,349	285,562	289,433	† 133,343
Sandalwood	£ 72,669	54,769	102,912	348,713	186,775	238,203	180,542
Tanning Bark	£ 18,959	13,328	21,161	29,606	40,136	15,056	8,349
Copper (Ingot, Ore, and Matte)	£ 86,382	15,883	51,245	55,518	31,804	2,659	73
Tin, Dressed and Ingot	£ 56,519	5,087	9,080	18,770	14,635	11,740	6,770
Silver (Bar, Ingot, etc.)	£ 26,785	18,590	40,440	65,865	105,457	103,622	37,347
Wheat ... { Quantity... .. Cental	4,221,757	6,214,347	3,217,691	6,555,226	8,991,572	7,904,807	484,362
Value £	1,619,630	3,037,997	1,471,100	2,542,626	5,158,020	4,186,714	228,680
Flour ... { Quantity... .. Cental	759,439	1,124,952	1,197,450	1,584,343	1,508,132	1,841,942	719,700
Value £	424,361	1,024,632	670,909	824,743	968,501	1,294,311	479,844
Mutton and Lamb... { Quantity... .. lb.	...	...	865,510	445,926	...	...	...
Value ... .. £	...	...	27,432	12,825	...	...	...
Beef ... { Quantity... .. lb.	...	2,478,848	9,954,698	10,646,717	7,106,375	8,118,705	6,537,184
Value £	...	39,400	152,349	135,938	99,052	120,117	95,902
Meat in tins ... { Quantity... .. lb.	...	10,899	1,126	...	...	347,586	445,323
Value £	...	658	69	...	...	9,273	11,237
Fruit, fresh... { Quantity... .. Cental	79,797	105,367	175,871	136,877	164,975	148,548	5,954
Value £	82,014	176,104	237,940	188,947	246,535	232,149	12,276
All other Articles	£ 954,881	1,371,842	1,045,484	1,110,676	1,148,508	1,505,974	940,252
Total Exports	£ 14,683,027	13,628,883	11,105,220	14,123,289	14,664,548	14,581,657	6,109,277
Collie Coal ... { Mined Tons	326,341	459,381	425,086	422,057	440,482	438,137	239,129
Value £	182,852	404,521	372,130	365,567	371,152	364,304	198,213
Bunkered k Tons	43,188	99,540	51,874	33,079	45,231	34,032	27,960

† For TOTAL PRODUCTION OF GOLD see Table No. 31, p. 23.

‡ Exclusive of pearls.

c. Average value of sovereign during 1921-22, £1·1765; 1922-23, £1·0604; 1923-24, £1·0872; 1924-25, £1·0670. d Average value of fine ounce during the year 1921-22, £4·9975; 1922-23, £4·5043; 1923-24, £4·6181; 1924-25, £4·5323.

k. Included in coal production.

No. 23.—Wool Exported from the several Western Australian Ports.

Year ended 30th June, 1926.

Ports.						Oversea.				Interstate.				Total.			
						Greasy.		Scoured.		Greasy.		Scoured.		Greasy.		Scoured.	
						bales.	lb.	bales.	lb.	bales.	lb.	bales.	lb.	bales.	lb.	bales.	lb.
Fremantle	...	...	...	...	...	132,259	42,404,155	6,789	1,580,758	2,852	1,048,304	105	27,604	135,111	43,452,459	6,894	1,608,362
Albany	...	...	...	...	...	433	133,853	10	1,978	...	...	...	...	433	133,853	10	1,978
Broome	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bunbury	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Carnarvon	...	...	...	...	...	2,865	1,145,874	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,865	1,145,874	...	...
Derby	...	...	...	...	...	344	126,052	101	37,449	...	...	...	...	344	126,052	101	37,449
Geraldton	...	...	...	...	...	4,640	1,641,268	42	10,819	...	...	...	...	4,640	1,641,268	42	10,819
Onslow	...	...	...	...	...	71	37,002	...	...	...	...	...	...	71	37,002	...	...
Port Hedland	...	...	...	...	...	2,980	1,164,540	15	5,490	...	...	...	...	2,980	1,164,540	15	5,490
Roebourne	...	...	...	...	...	891	322,540	5	1,402	...	...	...	...	891	322,540	5	1,402
Total {						144,483	46,975,284	6,962	1,637,896	2,852	1,048,304	105	27,604	147,335	48,023,588	7,067	1,665,500
						Value	£	3,307,539	174,594	43,866	1,866	3,351,405	176,460				

Six months ended 31st December, 1926.

Fremantle	...	...	...	...	...	76,337	26,460,702	2,573	612,390	1,901	678,429	...	...	78,238	27,139,131	2,573	612,390
Albany	...	...	...	...	...	289	99,945	...	...	...	...	...	...	289	99,945	...	...
Broome	...	...	...	...	...	24	7,868	...	...	...	...	...	...	24	7,868	...	...
Bunbury	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Carnarvon	...	...	...	...	...	3,008	1,146,368	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,008	1,146,368	...	...
Derby	...	...	...	...	...	123	45,379	67	16,698	...	...	...	...	123	45,379	67	16,698
Geraldton	...	...	...	...	...	4,061	1,457,379	2	569	...	...	...	...	4,061	1,457,379	2	569
Onslow	...	...	...	...	...	505	202,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	505	202,000	...	...
Port Hedland	...	...	...	...	...	3,363	1,394,159	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,363	1,394,159	...	...
Roebourne	...	...	...	...	...	193	73,834	...	...	...	...	...	...	193	73,834	...	...
Total {						87,903	30,887,634	2,642	629,657	1,901	678,429	...	...	89,804	31,566,063	2,642	629,657
						Value	£	1,912,787	64,741	33,840	...	1,946,627	64,741				

No. 24.—Principal Exports, Oversea and Interstate, during the Six Months ended 31st December, 1926.

Articles.	OVERSEA.				INTERSTATE.						Total.	
	Quantity.		Value.		Quantity.			Value.				
	Australian Origin.	Oversea Origin.	Australian Origin.	Oversea Origin.	West Australian Origin.	Other Australian Origin.	Oversea Origin.	West Australian Origin.	Other Australian Origin.	Oversea Origin.	Quantity.	Value.
I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.												
Butter	...	...	£	£	...	1,232	...	£	£	£	1,232	£
Butter Substitutes	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	124	...	...	...	124
Cheese	...	...	...	...	...	756	87	...	41	5	843	46
Eggs in Shell	186,025	...	14,892	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	186,025	14,892
" Pulp	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fish, all kinds	...	...	43	54	...	...	...	432	...	540	...	1,069
Honey	26,250	...	591	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	26,250	591
Meats—Bacon and Ham	...	...	...	...	3,573	638	...	106	35	...	4,211	141
Preserved by Cold Process—	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Beef	6,537,184	...	95,902	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6,537,184	95,902
Game	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lamb and Mutton	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pork	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Preserved in tins	445,323	...	11,237	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	445,323	11,237
Sausage Casings	60	...	619	...	919	7	...	5,127	75	...	986	5,821
Pork, Salt, and Meat, N.E.I.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Milk and Cream, in Powdered Form	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" " Condensed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN AND BEVERAGES, NON-ALCOHOLIC.												
Biscuits	17,460	...	455	...	53,340	...	...	3,263	...	...	70,800	3,718
Confectionery	1,275	...	92	...	274,552	24,945	...	17,285	1,597	...	300,772	18,974
Hay and Chaff	5,804	...	2,224	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,804	2,224
Oilcake, including Linseed Cake	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fruits, Dried—Currants	9,082	...	192	...	1,083,710	...	...	23,125	...	...	1,092,792	23,317
Dates	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Raisins	1,120	...	18	...	232,645	...	...	3,507	...	...	233,765	3,525
Other	...	...	...	...	...	952	...	...	17	...	952	17
Fresh—Apples	2,044	...	3,075	...	2	...	...	3	...	...	2,046	3,078
Citrus	1,816	...	2,766	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,816	2,766
Other	371	...	1,187	...	632	...	...	2,982	...	...	1,003	4,169
Fruit and Vegetables, in Liquid	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Grain and Pulse—Barley	14	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	7
Beans and Peas	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	11	4	11
Maize	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Oats	4,885	...	2,094	...	12,089	...	...	4,905	...	...	16,974	6,999
Wheat	484,360	...	228,679	...	2	...	...	1	...	...	484,362	228,680
Other, Unprepared	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bran and Pollard	2,760	...	1,225	...	14,000	...	...	4,100	...	...	16,760	5,325
Flour	716,439	...	477,399	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	716,439	477,399
Oatmeal, etc.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rice	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Other, prepared		entl.	6	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	6	...
Hops	...	lb.	56	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	56	5
Jam and Jelly	...	...	690	...	22	...	...	...	...	...	690	22
Mustard	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pickles and Sauces	...	...	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	14	5	27
Sugar	...	cwt.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Onions	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Potatoes	...	...	...	...	...	...	25,822	16	...	18,751	15	25,838 18,766
Vinegar	...	gal.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Aerated and Mineral Waters	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cocoa and Chocolate	...	lb.	...	...	...	...	4,368	...	...	118	...	4,368 11
Coffee and Chicory	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lime Juice and other Fruit Juices	...	gal.	102	...	34	...	5,449	...	...	713	...	5,551 747
Tea	...	lb.	...	...	...	...	...	...	6,591	...	457	6,591 457
III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUIDS.												
Ale and Beer in Bottle	...	gal.	15	...	4	...	18	...	...	7	...	33 11
" " Bulk	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Brandy	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gin, etc.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rum	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Whisky	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24	40	...	41 44	64 85
Other Spirits	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	218	5	...
Wine, Sparkling	...	gal.	3	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	3 5
" Other	...	...	20,117	...	5,534	...	642	255	...	299	100	21,014 5,933
IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF.												
Tobacco, Manufactured	...	lb.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" Unmanufactured	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cigars	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15	...	33	15 33
Cigarettes	...	...	...	...	...	...	12,517	...	...	10,285	...	12,517 10,285
V.—LIVE ANIMALS.												
Cattle	...	No.	1,990	...	9,950	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,990 9,950
Horses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pigs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sheep	...	...	16,813	...	12,258	...	...	...	...	...	...	16,813 12,258
Other	...	...	...	...	303	...	...	...	...	430	15	...
VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES, NOT FOODSTUFFS.												
Bones, Hoofs, Horns	...	cwt.	...	...	1,084	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hides and Skins—Hides	...	No.	22,395	...	24,966	...	7,425	...	...	3,485	...	29,820 28,451
" Rabbits and Hares	...	lb.	15,852	...	2,108	...	47,116	...	...	6,115	...	62,968 8,223
Sheep	...	No.	343,399	...	163,418	...	7,190	...	...	1,776	...	350,589 165,194
Other	...	...	...	...	10,127	...	...	...	...	17,758	...	...
Pearlshell	...	cwt.	15,189	...	133,343	...	...	...	...	...	...	15,189 133,343
Tortoiseshell	...	lb.	730	...	649	...	...	...	...	...	...	730 649
Trochus Shell	...	cwt.	2,261	...	2,392	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,2

No. 24.—Principal Exports, Oversea and Interstate, during the Six Months ended 31st December, 1926—continued.

Articles.	OVERSEA.				INTERSTATE.						Total.	
	Quantity.		Value.		Quantity.			Value.			Quantity.	Value.
	Australian Origin.	Oversea Origin.	Australian Origin.	Oversea Origin.	West Australian Origin.	Other Australian Origin.	Oversea Origin.	West Australian Origin.	Other Australian Origin.	Oversea Origin.		
VIII.—APPAREL, TEXTILES, ETC.												
Apparel and Soft Goods	£ 902	£ 375	...	...	...	£ 23,257	£ 25,034	£ 9,990	...	£ 59,558
Boots and Shoes	26	...	...	...	...	17,662	2,131	...	...	19,819
Hats and Caps	110	825	119	...	1,054
Umbrellas and Parasols	375	...	...	375
Jute Goods	1,214	...	1,214
Cordage and Twine	3	...	140	...	143
IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES.												
Lard, Lard Oil, and Refined Fats lb.	224	...	...	8	...	224	8
Oil in vessels up to one gallon
Oil in Bulk—Castor gal.
Cocanut "
Cotton Seed "
Essential "	15,053	...	...	...	...	1,448	...	31	...	16,532
Cod, Seal, and Whale gal.	888,765	...	90,100	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	888,765	90,100
Kerosene "
Olive "	276	...	2,478	28	...	582	2,754	610
Other "
Turpentine "
Stearine lb.
Tallow cwt.	11,195	...	19,543	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11,195	19,543
Wax—Beeswax lb.
Paraffin "
Other "
X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES.												
Paints and Varnishes	3	...	...	...	...	20	533	219	...	775
XI.—STONES AND MINERALS USED INDUSTRIALLY, INCLUDING ORES AND CONCENTRATES.												
Coal ton
Stone, including Marble and Slate	15	...	15
Concentrates—Copper cwt.	99	...	...	73	...	...	99	73
Silver and Silver Lead "	31,625	...	32,473	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	31,625	32,473
Tin "
Zinc "
Other "
Copper, Bar, Rod, Sheet, Plate, Pipe, Tubes "	5	...	...	14	...	...	5	14
" Ingots or contained in Matte "
" Blister "
Iron and Steel, Pig and Scrap "
" Bar, Rod, Blooms, etc. "	557	...	220	251	...	453	777	704
Lead, Pig or contained in Matte "	93	...	...	122	...	...	93	122
Ores—Antimony "	88	...	...	85	...	...	88	85
Manganese "	1,436	...	423	...	200	...	...	80	...	...	1 636	503

Molybdenite ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pyrites ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Scheelite ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Silver and Silver Lead	898	...	980	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	898	980	...
Tin ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6,770	...	...	848	6,770
Other	769	...	12,647	...	...	...	185	...	...	265	...	...	954	12,912
Gold Uncoined ... ..	...	...	230,073	...	...	...	...	...	...	4,708	...	...	...	234,781
XII.—MACHINERY AND MANUFACTURES OF METALS.														
Machinery, except Agricultural ... ..	...	...	3	2,376	...	...	...	...	...	2,706	4,293	6,960	...	16,338
„ Agricultural, Horticultural, and Viti- cultural ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,081	6,385	...	7,466
Metals, Manufactures, Other ... ..	...	...	127	617	...	...	...	...	...	14,808	7,156	19,552	...	42,260
Iron and Steel, Galvanised, Plate and Sheet, in- cluding Corrugated not Galvanised cwt.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	50	...	50
Lamps and Lampware ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Railway Material ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tinned Plates and Sheet, (Plain) cwt.	...	...	...	...	...	...	94	...	...	...	...	115	94	115
Tools of Trade ... ..	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	223	175	...	400
Vehicles—Bicycles, etc. ... ..	...	...	...	1,322	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	514	...	519
„ Other, and Parts ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	39	14,912	...	16,273
Zinc, Circles and Ingots cwt.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ Sheets and Shavings ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	60	...	...	...	225	...	...	60	225
XIII.—RUBBER, LEATHER, AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF.														
Rubber Goods ... ..	...	...	200	93	...	...	...	...	...	1,294	3,337	...	...	4,924
Belting, all kinds ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	188	159	50	...	397
Leather ... ..	...	...	4,794	...	...	...	...	...	...	23,341	578	...	...	28,713
„ Manufactures ... ..	...	...	33	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,677	90	8	...	1,808
XIV.—WOOD, WICKER, CANE.														
Furniture ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	218	560	...	...	778
Timber sup. ft.	52,402,700	...	556,220	...	30,613,353	...	...	...	...	322,540	...	...	83,016,053	878,760
Wicker, Cane, Bamboo Manufactures ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18	...	18
Wood, Articles made of ... ..	...	...	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	138	4,945	158	...	5,261
XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS.														
Cement, Portland cwt.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Earthenware, China, etc. ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4,151	81	28	...	4,260
Glass and Glassware ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	81	1,781	11	...	1,873
XVI.—PAPER, STATIONERY.														
Paper—Other ... ..	...	...	...	358	...	...	...	...	...	...	52	289	...	699
Books Printed, Music, Periodicals ... ..	...	...	565	40	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,127	556	...	2,288
Stationery, Manufactured ... ..	...	...	10	100	...	...	...	...	...	103	492	49	...	754
Pictures ... ..	...	...	131	2,000	...	...	...	...	...	35	118	25	...	2,309
XVII.—JEWELLERY, TIMEPIECES, FANCY GOODS.														
Fancy Goods ... ..	...	...	470	224	...	...	...	...	...	230	1,207	346	...	2,477
Jewellery ... ..	...	...	...	259	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	56	...	315
Pipes, Cigars and Cigarette Holders ... ..	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Clocks and Watches ... ..	...	...	...	47	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	49	...	96
XVIII. OPTICAL, SURGICAL, AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.														
Photographic Goods and Materials ... ..	...	...	...	27	...	...	...	...	...	...	25	77	...	129
Instruments other than Musical ... ..	...	...	...	336	...	...	...	...	...	...	573	3,141	...	4,050

No. 24.—Principal Exports, Oversea and Interstate, during the Six Months ended 31st December, 1926—continued.

Articles.	OVERSEA.				INTERSTATE.						Total.						
	Quantity.		Value.		Quantity.			Value.									
	Australian Origin.	Oversea Origin.	Australian Origin.	Oversea Origin.	West Australian Origin.	Other Australian Origin.	Oversea Origin.	West Australian Origin.	Other Australian Origin.	Oversea Origin.	Quantity.	Value.					
													£	£	£		£
XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILISERS.																	
Drugs, N.E.I.	342	20	...	...	...	466	765	332	...	1,925		
Acid, Tartaric ... cwt.					
Cream of Tartar					
Manures—Ammonia Sulphate					
Other, N.E.I. ...	7,800	...	3,120	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7,800	3,120
Perfumery	6,151	...	...	...	...	2,369	258	201	...	8,979		
Salt, Rock ... cwt.					
Salt, N.E.I.					
XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.																	
Arms, Ammunition, Explosives					
Bags, Baskets, Boxes	17	...	...	...	...	...	170	44	...	231		
Blacking and Dressings	17	...	...	17					
Blue, Laundry ... lb.	270	...	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	270	12
Boats, Launches, and Yachts					
Brushware	11	...	...	...	7,622	...	53	...	7,686			
Candles ... lb.					
Musical Instruments—Pianos ... No.	...	1	...	100	...	11	14	...	1,180	1,632	26	2,912					
Other	84	...	...	...	...	112	51	...	247			
Matches and Vestas ... gr. bxs.					
Oilmen's Stores	53	...	...	...	...	2,080	389	373	...	2,895		
Personal and Household Effects	1,842	473	...	...	...	13,738	476	1,249	...	17,778		
Pitch, Tar, and Bitumen ... cwt.	3	...	10	...	201	...	...	223	...	...	204	233	
Soap ... lb.	520,625	...	8,068	...	...	3,660	627	...	274	80	524,912	8,422			
XXI.—GOLD, SILVER, BRONZE.																	
Specie, Gold	620,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	620,000		
" Silver					
" Bronze					
Silver, Bar, Rod, Matte ... oz.	31,908	18,830	...	3,894	2,353	...	50,738	6,247					
All other Articles	36,261	617	...	...	...	17,221	1,089	2,240	...	57,428		
Total*	5,010,862	9,550	...	...	...	637,427	63,932	76,989	...	5,798,760		
				5,020,412								778,348					

* Exclusive of Ships' Stores.

No. 25.—Exports, being Ships' Stores, during the six months ended 31st December, 1926.

Articles.	OVERSEA.				INTERSTATE.				Total.	
	Quantity.		Value.		Quantity.		Value.		Quantity.	Value.
	Aus-tralian Pro-duce.	Over-sea Pro-duce.	Aus-tralian Pro-duce.	Over-sea Pro-duce.	Aus-tralian Pro-duce.	Over-sea Pro-duce.	Aus-tralian Pro-duce.	Over-sea Pro-duce.		
			£	£			£	£		£
Ale, Beer, Porter, etc. ... gal.	740	...	238	...	40	...	10	...	780	248
Apparel ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Biscuits lb.	189	...	13	...	...	...	...	...	189	13
Brushware ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Butter lb.	11,410	...	1,055	...	1,387	...	130	...	12,797	1,185
Cheese	1,954	...	121	...	185	...	12	...	2,139	133
Coal (Bunker) ton	36,218	...	69,365	...	...	...	...	...	36,218	69,365
Coffee, Cocoa, Chocolate lb.	20	403	6	33	...	...	...	...	423	39
Cordage and Twine ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fish—Fresh lb.	40,463	...	1,589	...	2,721	...	124	...	43,184	1,713
Fish—Preserved	243	677	17	47	327	...	19	...	1,247	83
Fruits—Preserved lb.	657	...	21	...	...	...	...	...	657	21
Fruits—Fresh cntl	994	...	2,132	...	95	...	131	...	1,089	2,263
Fruits and Vegetables (in liquid, etc.) ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vegetables, Dried or Concentrated ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vegetables, Fresh ... ..	...	...	4,568	...	...	...	645	...	...	5,213
Grain and Pulse—										
Beans and Peas cntl.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Oats ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wheat ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Barley, Pearl and Scotch lb.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bran, etc. cntl.	64	...	27	...	...	...	...	...	64	27
Flour, Wheaten	3,254	...	2,439	...	7	...	6	...	3,261	2,445
Rice ... ..	...	3	...	5	...	...	...	...	3	5
Hay and Chaff cwt.	3,739	...	1,481	...	...	...	...	...	3,739	1,481
Jams and Jellies lb.	6,509	...	204	...	144	...	5	...	6,653	209
Meats—										
Bacon and Hams, etc. ..	8,137	...	571	...	1,501	...	87	...	9,638	658
Fresh and Smoked	45,458	...	1,493	...	30,929	...	905	...	76,387	2,398
Frozen (other than Rabbits and Hares)	176,389	...	4,308	...	...	...	...	...	176,389	4,308
Rabbits and Hares	432	...	19	...	444	...	10	...	876	29
Potted and Concentrated ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Preserved in tins lb.	48	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	48	4
Other (including Salted) cwt.	46	...	357	...	68	...	261	...	114	618
Milk (Preserved) lb.	7,490	...	437	...	138	...	6	...	7,628	443
Oils gal.	...	12,225,448	...	206,048	...	...	...	...	12,225,448	206,048
Onions cwt.	72	...	92	...	22	...	27	...	94	119
Paints and Colours ... ..	...	9	...	29	...	...	...	...	9	29
Potatoes	4,187	...	3,608	...	348	...	283	...	4,535	3,891
Salt ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Soap lb.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Spirits gal.	13	14	33	25	...	...	...	...	27	58
Sugar cwt.	155	...	207	...	...	...	...	...	155	207
Tea lb.	...	716	...	54	...	55	...	5	771	59
Tobacco	121	...	52	...	...	...	...	...	121	52
Olgars ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Olgalettes	36	...	45	...	...	...	...	...	36	45
Wine—Sparkling gal.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wine—Still	3,912	...	786	...	...	...	...	...	3,912	786
All other Articles ... ..	...	...	4,656	1,143	...	...	523	...	...	6,322
Total ... ..	...	...	99,944	207,384	...	...	3,184	5	...	310,517
			307,328				3,189			

No. 26.—Principal Imports, Oversea and Interstate, during the Six Months ended
31st December, 1926.

Articles.	Oversea.		Interstate.				Total.	
	Quan- tity.	Value.	Quantity		Value.		Quantity.	Value.
			Australian Origin.	Oversea Origin.	Aus- tralian Origin.	Oversea Origin.		
I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.								
Butter lb.	3,247	£ 241	2,263,645	...	£ 200,065	£ ...	2,266,892	£ 200,306
Butter, Substitutes for	9,499	485	267,680	...	9,444	...	277,179	9,929
Cheese	59,116	5,282	838,971	10,332	39,750	1,183	908,419	46,215
Eggs in Shell doz.	2,433	122	23,264	...	2,085	...	25,697	2,207
Egg pulp lb.	...	...	84,090	...	4,340	...	84,090	4,340
Fish, all kinds ... ..	...	49,552	...	...	2,322	4,751	...	56,625
Honey lb.	...	...	141,592	...	2,705	...	141,592	2,705
Meats—Bacon and Ham	5,143	310	1,233,904	...	77,791	...	1,239,047	78,101
Meats—Preserved by Cold Pro- cess—								
Beef	11,888	323	177,973	...	2,678	...	189,861	3,001
Game	30	2	...	...	...	...	30	2
Mutton and Lamb ... ..	...	...	167,735	...	1,970	...	167,735	1,970
Pork ... ..	...	...	2,214	...	134	...	2,214	134
Poultry	4,112	206	11,916	...	1,064	...	16,028	1,270
Rabbits and Hares ... ..	...	...	3,176	...	46	...	3,176	46
Other	750	39	64,650	...	1,293	...	65,400	1,332
Meats—Preserved in tins	35,727	3,130	603,104	1,200	24,026	86	640,031	27,242
Sausage Casings cwt.	136	3,199	105	47	452	971	288	4,622
Pork, Salt, and Meats, N.E.I.	21	278	35	...	205	...	56	483
Milk and Cream—								
In Powdered Form ... lb.	...	...	260,926	560	11,840	23	261,486	11,863
Condensed	13,310	608	1,647,423	...	78,069	...	1,660,733	78,677
II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN, INCLUDING BEVERAGES NON-ALCOHOLIC.								
Biscuits lb.	30,542	1,868	220,479	...	12,501	...	251,021	14,369
Confectionery	73,826	5,837	1,086,216	100	98,676	9	1,160,142	104,522
Hay and Chaff cwt.	...	...	43	...	22	...	43	22
Oilcake, including Linseed Cake cntl.	...	...	1,568	...	869	...	1,568	869
Fruits, Dried—								
Currants lb.	1,746	56	7,000	...	170	...	8,746	226
Dates	528,476	6,212	...	22,096	...	259	550,572	6,471
Raisins	1,059	73	318,288	...	11,925	...	319,347	11,998
Other	38,367	1,263	218,139	...	8,464	...	256,506	9,727
Fruits, Fresh—								
Bananas cntl.	14,972	12,958	486	...	706	...	15,458	13,664
Citrus	15	20	...	...	...	...	15	20
Other	89	102	190	...	341	...	279	443
Fruit and Vegetables, in liquid	...	5,441	...	...	28,909	115	...	34,465
Grain and Pulse—								
Barley cntl.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Beans and Peas	959	925	1,037	123	1,405	99	2,119	2,429
Maize ... ..	...	...	2,783	...	1,946	...	2,783	1,946
Oats ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wheat ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other, Unprepared	41	70	3	...	5	...	44	75
Bran and Pollard ... ..	...	...	13,522	...	5,822	...	13,522	5,822
Flour	406	410	10	...	10	...	416	420
Malt ... ..	...	...	12,495	...	13,207	...	12,495	13,207
Oatmeal, etc. lb.	3,273	60	1,166,394	...	14,956	...	1,169,667	15,016
Rice cntl.	2,903	3,738	8,754	...	8,369	...	11,657	12,107
Other, Prepared	674	625	5,092	21	7,277	39	5,787	7,941
Hops lb.	2,406	146	40,007	...	4,260	...	42,413	4,406
Jam and Jelly	14,055	522	3,093,184	...	85,681	...	3,107,239	86,203
Mustard	17,278	2,096	4,034	...	309	...	21,312	2,405
Pickles and Sauces ... ..	...	3,569	...	...	26,502	17	...	30,088
Sugar cwt.	370	538	172,338	...	320,686	...	172,708	321,224
Onions	36	40	16,252	...	16,641	...	16,288	16,681
Potatoes	639	344	86,206	...	54,232	...	86,845	54,576
Vinegar gal.	4,166	1,129	5,625	...	748	...	9,791	1,877
Aerated and Mineral Waters	...	464	...	...	1,076	...	...	1,540
Cocoa and Chocolate lb.	217,423	5,097	7,861	5,674	558	259	230,958	5,914
Coffee and Chicory	85,491	4,070	86,857	13,445	5,751	866	185,793	10,687
Lime Juice and other Fruit Juices gal.	1,890	417	6,874	20	3,426	10	8,784	3,853
Tea lb.	534,069	36,818	...	1,079,792	...	125,500	1,613,861	162,318
III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUIDS.								
Ale and Beer, in Bottle ... gal.	15,375	5,950	38,738	...	12,122	...	54,113	18,072
" in Bulk ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Brandy	1,173	1,278	9,330	183	5,636	203	10,686	7,117
Gin, including Schnapps	4,716	3,465	772	780	405	1,080	6,268	4,950
Rum	787	432	338	...	144	...	1,125	576
Whisky	37,975	47,200	6,776	8,809	4,917	13,279	53,560	65,396
Other Spirits ... ..	...	11,421	...	...	10,797	257	...	22,475
Wine, Sparkling gal.	522	1,211	438	30	839	121	990	2,171
" Other	1,573	904	92,532	...	43,212	...	94,105	44,116

No. 26.—Principal Imports, Oversea and Interstate, during the Six Months ended
31st December, 1926—continued.

Articles.	Oversea.		Interstate.				Total.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.		Value.		Quantity.	Value.
			Australian Origin.	Oversea Origin.	Australian Origin.	Oversea Origin.		
IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF.		£			£	£		£
Tobacco, Manufactured ... lb.	3,361	923	502,375	3,674	168,722	1,358	509,410	171,003
" Unmanufactured ... "	11,707	2,142	1,326	...	126	...	13,033	2,268
Cigars	1,737	1,347	8,838	318	11,327	221	10,893	12,895
Cigarettes	25,876	11,960	168,414	621	133,222	654	194,911	145,836
Snuff	100	21	...	...	...	...	100	21
V.—LIVE ANIMALS.								
Cattle No.	...	...	795	...	6,447	...	795	6,447
Horses	1	550	623	2	20,095	600	626	21,245
Pigs ... ..	...	...	11	...	195	...	11	195
Sheep ... ..	...	...	39,287	3	92,352	60	39,290	92,412
Other ... ..	...	159	...	...	314	...	...	473
VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES NOT FOODSTUFFS.								
Bones, Hoofs, Horns ... cwt.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hides and Skins—Hides ... No.	200	227	3,749	...	6,223	...	3,949	6,450
" Sheep ... ..	...	...	161	...	170	...	161	170
" Other ... ..	...	...	...	...	158	...	...	158
Wool, Greasy lb.	...	...	10,543	(33)	831	...	10,543	831
Wool, Scoured ... ..	...	...	2,698	(7)	295	...	2,698	295
VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES.								
Bark, Tanning cwt.	402	190	1,052	...	859	...	1,454	1,049
Tanning Extract ... ..	...	3,392	...	...	247	58	...	3,697
Plants, Trees, and Bulbs ...	...	44	...	...	2,049	...	...	2,093
Linseed cntl.	277	240	2	40	4	50	319	294
Starch lb.	1,575	52	140,717	...	4,483	...	142,292	4,535
VIII.—APPAREL, TEXTILES, ETC.								
Apparel and Soft Goods ...	...	740,054	...	...	399,620	49,918	...	1,189,592
Boots and Shoes ... ..	...	15,745	...	...	192,140	15	...	207,900
Hats and Caps ... ..	...	13,442	...	...	54,403	3,437	...	71,282
Umbrellas, Parasols ...	...	1,218	...	...	7,153	275	...	8,646
Jute Goods ... ..	...	632,566	...	...	1,501	1,685	...	635,752
Oordage and Twine ... ..	...	28,646	...	...	15,082	14,260	...	57,988
IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES.								
Lard, Lard Oils, and Refined								
Fats lb.	9,264	357	186,469	...	7,092	...	195,733	7,449
Oils, in vessels up to one gallon	...	2,532	...	...	952	277	...	3,761
Oils, Bulk—Castor gal.	1,747	490	6,201	...	1,582	...	7,948	2,072
" Coconut	726	147	12,492	...	2,762	...	13,218	2,909
" Cotton Seed	1,726	351	1,080	...	361	...	2,806	712
" Essential ... ..	...	1,710	...	...	314	175	...	2,199
" Kerosene gal.	2,527,013	94,895	...	36	...	7	2,527,049	94,902
" Olive	1,131	458	701	1,012	665	832	2,844	1,955
" Other ... ..	...	485,609	...	...	8,621	5,976	500,206	4,872
Turpentine gal.	19,085	4,779	...	280	...	93	19,365	4,872
Stearine lb.	...	...	77,566	...	2,721	...	77,566	2,721
Tallow cwt.	69	92	...	...	...	...	69	92
Wax—Beeswax lb.	1,148	117	...	...	...	...	1,148	117
" Paraffin	201,791	3,400	...	100	...	4	201,891	3,404
" Other	6,279	273	100	200	12	4	6,579	289
X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES.								
Paints, Colours, and Varnishes ...	...	13,078	...	...	27,951	534	...	41,563
XI.—STONE AND MINERALS, USED INDUSTRIALLY, INCLUDING ORES AND CONCENTRATES.								
Coal ton	...	...	22,589	...	31,484	...	22,589	31,484
Oke	703	1,111	61	...	137	...	764	1,248
Stone, including Marble and								
" Slate ... ..	...	5,170	...	...	194	62	...	5,426
Copper, Bar, Rod, Sheet, Plates,								
" Pipes, Tubes cwt.	865	4,815	1,756	5	10,697	49	2,626	15,561
Copper Ingots and contained in								
" Matte ... ..	...	...	20	...	92	...	20	92
Iron and Steel—								
" Pig and Scrap	19,177	4,492	15,156	...	4,376	...	34,333	8,868
" Bar, Rod, Blooms	22,942	18,180	32,533	636	25,038	863	56,111	44,081
Lead, Pig, or contained in								
" Matte ... ..	...	...	490	...	907	...	490	907
Ores, exclusive of Gold	2,621	2,771	307	...	59	...	2,928	2,830
Quicksilver lb.	867	189	...	412	...	99	1,279	288
Tin Ingots cwt.	...	...	391	...	6,356	...	391	6,356
Gold Uncoined ... ..	...	472	...	...	...	...	...	472

No. 26.—Principal Imports, Oversea and Interstate, during the Six Months ended
31st December, 1926—continued.

Articles.	Oversea.		Interstate.				Total.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.		Value.		Quantity.	Value.
			Australian Origin.	Oversea Origin.	Australian Origin.	Oversea Origin.		
		£			£	£		£
XII.—MACHINES, MACHINERY, AND MANUFACTURES OF METAL.								
Machines and Machinery, except Agricultural ... ..	...	398,409	...	...	68,181	71,732	...	538,322
Implements, Machinery—Agricultural, Horticultural, and Viticultural ... ..	...	57,790	...	...	340,338	22,180	...	420,308
Metals—Manufactures of ... ..	...	221,693	...	...	225,764	25,970	...	473,427
Iron and Steel, Galvanised, Plate and Sheet, including Corrugated, not Galvanised... cwt.	55,117	60,422	1,188	1,771	1,490	1,821	58,076	63,733
Lamps and Lampware ... ..	...	15,291	...	...	2,766	659	...	18,716
Lead, Sheet and Pipe ... cwt.	238	527	6,712	...	12,086	...	6,950	12,613
Railway Material ... ..	...	3,069	...	...	21,519	...	...	24,588
Tinned Plates and Sheet (Plain) cwt.	5,566	6,372	...	42	...	52	5,608	6,424
Tools of Trade ... ..	...	42,229	...	...	3,217	636	...	46,082
Vehicles—Bicycles, etc. ... ..	...	63,748	...	...	317	451	...	64,516
„ Other and Parts ... ..	...	402,342	...	...	57,132	30,380	...	489,854
Aircraft, Parts and Fittings ... ..	...	247	...	...	...	...	...	247
Zinc Circles and Ingots ... ..	...	203	...	...	561	...	...	764
„ Sheets cwt.	2,072	5,028	20	...	48	...	2,092	5,076
XIII.—RUBBER, LEATHER, AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF.								
Rubber Goods ... ..	...	60,797	...	...	114,630	9,835	...	185,262
Beiting, all kinds ... ..	...	5,853	...	...	5,694	178	...	11,725
Leather ... ..	...	1,138	...	...	38,534	63	...	39,735
„ Manufactures ... ..	...	1,820	...	...	8,249	18	...	10,087
XIV.—WOOD, WICKER, CANE.								
Furniture ... ..	...	6,547	...	...	16,413	767	...	23,727
Timber ... ..	...	26,251	...	...	21,463	10,784	...	58,498
Wicker, Bamboo, Cane Manufactures ... ..	...	2,372	...	...	74	190	...	2,636
Wood, Articles made of ... ..	...	7,160	...	...	7,793	233	...	15,186
XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS.								
Cement (Portland) cwt.	56,506	8,055	7	240	3	116	56,753	8,174
Earthenware, China, etc. ... ..	...	24,038	...	...	4,262	333	...	28,633
Glass and Glassware ... ..	...	27,154	...	...	12,379	657	...	40,190
XVI.—PAPER, STATIONERY.								
Paper, Printing ton	2,456	53,454	3	15	130	433	2,474	54,017
„ Other ... ..	...	39,693	...	...	8,098	1,634	...	49,425
Books printed, Music, Periodicals ... ..	...	46,314	...	...	8,104	2,455	...	56,873
Stationery, Manufactured ... ..	...	30,125	...	...	36,349	2,263	...	68,737
Pictures ... ..	...	900	...	...	937	46	...	1,833
XVII.—JEWELLERY, TIMEPIECES, FANCY GOODS.								
Fancy Goods ... ..	...	42,330	...	...	17,676	4,084	...	64,090
Jewellery ... ..	...	3,482	...	...	243	23	...	3,748
Pipes, Cigar, and Cigarette Holders ... ..	...	6,435	...	...	57	...	...	6,492
Clocks and Watches ... ..	...	17,864	...	...	...	1,489	...	19,353
XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL, AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.								
Photographic Goods and Material ... ..	...	2,403	...	...	1,407	4,762	...	8,572
Instruments, other than Musical ... ..	...	29,353	...	...	20,252	19,109	...	68,714
XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILISERS.								
Drugs, N.E.L. ... ..	...	42,832	...	...	60,311	7,546	...	110,689
Acid, Tartaric cwt	197	1,132	...	5	...	40	202	1,172
Cream of Tartar lb.	184,526	7,426	...	...	...	...	184,526	7,426

No. 26.—Principal Imports, Oversea and Interstate, during the Six Months ended
31st December, 1926—continued.

Articles.	Oversea.		Interstate.				Total.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.		Value.		Quantity.	Value.
			Australian Origin.	Oversea Origin.	Australian Origin.	Oversea Origin.		
XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILISERS—continued.		£			£	£		£
Manures—								
Ammonium Sulphate ... cwt.	1	2	25,762	...	22,627	...	25,763	22,629
Bonedust ... ..	...	...	3,225	...	1,535	...	3,225	1,535
Rock Phosphate	906,840	80,841	...	...	...	...	906,840	80,841
Sodium Nitrate ... ..	...	...	...	3,528	...	2,490	3,528	2,490
Superphosphates ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other, N.E.I.	5,625	2,869	13,715	...	6,806	...	19,340	9,675
Perfumery and Toilet Preparations ... ..	...	15,246	...	...	12,346	8,727	...	36,319
Salt, Rock cwt.	2,144	281	...	...	...	...	2,144	281
„ N.E.I.	1,100	267	10,194	...	2,255	...	11,294	2,522
XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.								
Arms, Ammunition, Explosives ... ..	...	38,838	...	...	17,043	617	...	56,498
Bags, Baskets, Boxes ... ..	...	16,161	...	...	8,105	114	...	24,380
Blackening and Dressings ... ..	...	2,070	...	...	15,230	392	...	17,692
Blue, Laundry lb.	...	...	30,160	...	2,121	...	30,160	2,121
Boats, Launches, and Yachts ... ..	...	61,608	...	...	306	...	...	61,914
Brushware ... ..	...	14,090	...	...	10,157	1,575	...	25,822
Candles lb.	1,432	94	3,390	...	223	...	4,822	317
Instruments, Musical, N.E.I. ... ..	...	9,898	...	...	527	397	...	10,822
Pianos No.	605	32,545	116	53	10,652	6,031	774	49,228
Matches and Vestas gr. bx	85,720	12,284	24,779	2,650	7,557	598	113,149	20,439
Oilmen's Stores ... ..	...	6,848	...	...	31,843	1,016	...	39,707
Infants' Foods ... ..	...	4,393	...	...	7,257	157	...	11,807
Personal and Household Effects ... ..	...	11,109	...	...	2,247	1,122	...	14,478
Pitch, Tar, and Bitumen ... cwt.	59,863	15,390	4,274	...	2,607	...	64,137	17,997
Soap lb.	30,797	3,083	311,527	8,832	13,643	1,443	351,156	18,169
XXI.—GOLD, SILVER, AND BRONZE.								
Specie—Gold ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ Silver ... ..	...	...	...	...	26,500	...	...	26,500
„ Bronze ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Silver—Bar, Rod, Matte ... oz.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
All other Articles ... ..	...	147,700	...	...	92,589	5,935	...	246,224
Total Imports ... f	...	4,576,867	...	...	3,934,845	482,246	...	8,993,958
					4,417,091			

No. 27.—Value of Imports and Exports, Oversea and Interstate, at the Several Ports of Western Australia during the undermentioned periods.

Ports, etc.	Year ended 30th June, 1926.		Six months ended 31st December, 1926.					
	Value of Trade.		Value of Imports.			Value of Exports.*		
	Imports.	Exports.*	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fremantle	15,396,535	11,104,003	4,443,064	4,016,471	8,459,535	4,021,654	454,024	4,475,678
Perth ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Albany	263,537	178,163	29,368	96,488	125,856	13,432	10,494	23,926
Broome	45,402	286,083	21,629	1,067	22,696	152,835	...	152,835
Bunbury	69,560	1,401,295	26,080	14,586	40,666	496,003	243,280	739,283
Busselton ... ..	...	208,938	...	...	...	45,466	72,911	118,377
Carnarvon	28,087	183,290	19,856	...	19,856	174,633	...	174,633
Derby	1,380	22,988	797	79	876	16,501	...	16,501
Esperance ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Geraldton	54,806	885,141	28,809	5,215	34,024	139,787	...	139,787
Onslow	1,617	2,430	899	...	899	8,493	...	8,493
Port Hedland	3,357	82,920	988	...	988	94,703	...	94,703
Roebourne	2,337	37,908	249	...	249	10,979	...	10,979
Wyndham	54,210	182,478	5,128	...	5,128	153,254	...	153,254
Overland by Rail	541,744	6,020	...	283,185	283,185	...	828	828
Total!	16,462,572	14,581,657	4,576,867	4,417,091	8,993,958	5,327,740	781,537	6,109,277

* Including Ships' Stores.

VII.—LAND SETTLEMENT.

No. 28.—Land Settlement as on the 31st December, 1926.

Particulars.	Area.	Area.
I.—ABSOLUTELY ALIENATED:— Area sold by public auction or other forms of direct sale or otherwise alienated up to 31st December, 1926	acres. ...	acres. 11,968,377
II.—IN PROCESS OF ALIENATION ON THE 31ST DECEMBER, 1926:— Midland Railway Concessions in process of alienation Free Homestead Farms Conditional Purchases Selections from late W.A. Land Company Selections under the Agricultural Lands Purchase Act Special Occupation Leases and Licenses Homestead or Grazing Leases Poison Land Leases and Licenses Village Allotments	54,800 913,014 7,478,972 2,143 557,259 80 10,079,522 37,853 4	19,123,647
Total area alienated or in process of alienation on the 31st December, 1926 ...	...	31,092,024
III.—LEASES OR LICENSES IN FORCE ON 31ST DECEMBER, 1926:— Issued by Lands Department— Pastoral Leases Special Leases Leases of Reserves Residential Lots Issued by Mines Department— Gold Mining Leases* Mineral Leases† Miners' Homestead Leases Issued by Forestry Department— Timber Leases and Concessions Timber Permits	228,027,694 43,149 2,134,910 7,250 6,632 45,577 32,717 434,273 a1,315,301	232,047,503
IV.—AREA NEITHER ALIENATED, IN PROCESS OF ALIENATION, NOR LEASED ... ..	...	361,449,273
Total Area of Western Australia ... ..	...	624,588,800

* Inclusive of 24 acres on "Private Property."

† Inclusive of 323 acres on "Private Property."

a Including 44,900 acres of Firewood Permits, but exclusive of Miscellaneous Permits for Forest Produce, area 4,401,390 acres.

No. 29.—Principal Crown Lands Transactions.—Area of Crown Lands for which Applications have been approved by the Lands Department from 1916.

Period.	Conditional Alienation.						Leases and Licenses.				
	Condi- tional Pur- chases.	Free Home- stead Farms.	Grazing Leases.	Sele- ctions, Land Purchase Act.	Town Lots.	Total.	Pastoral Leases and Licenses.	Special Leases.	Timber Permits.	Miscel- laneous Leases.	Total.
1916 ...	acres. 80,546	acres. 27,077	acres. 163,213	acres. 96	acres. 5	acres. 270,937	acres. 12,895,339	acres. 134,288	acres. 303,350	acres. 948	acres. 13,333,925
1921 ...	385,455	72,205	1,357,243	59,407	3,081	1,877,391	20,229,443	163,643	...	873	20,393,959
1922 ...	698,582	98,208	1,048,654	54,731	4,501	1,904,676	9,992,881	269,415	...	...	10,262,296
1923 ...	761,948	107,222	943,917	47,813	1,869	1,862,769	18,212,839	18,299	...	...	18,231,138
1924 ...	429,337	76,794	1,097,434	15,057	2,439	1,621,061	22,112,164	61,473	...	...	22,173,637
1925 ...	344,806	112,944	1,204,730	7,100	1,824	1,671,404	15,358,284	37,706	...	...	15,395,990
1926 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
9 months	336,975	82,632	1,318,761	9,296	930	1,748,594	5,761,874	8,847	...	...	5,770,721
Oct. ...	37,442	5,760	127,153	19,647	129	190,131	1,868,082	6,276	...	...	1,874,358
Nov. ...	29,831	5,149	114,854	12,311	249	162,394	933,813	370	...	...	934,183
Dec. ...	15,486	5,600	135,164	2,790	124	159,164	1,814,079	472	...	...	1,814,551

VIII.—PRODUCTION.

No. 30.—Estimated value of Western Australian Production, 1915 to 1924.

Year.*	Agricultural.	Pastoral.	Dairy, Poultry, and Bee-Farming.	Forestry and Fisheries.	Mining.	Manufac- turing.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1915 ...	6,529,633	3,030,234	586,549	915,176	5,478,149	2,480,744	19,020,485
1916 ...	5,889,663	3,670,966	691,366	922,340	4,893,417	2,542,072	18,609,824
1917 ...	4,256,551	4,479,482	665,963	916,741	4,629,027	2,516,920	17,464,684
1918 ...	4,757,763	4,544,144	698,038	1,081,537	4,265,577	2,522,299	17,899,358
1919 ...	9,066,281	4,614,546	843,719	1,363,972	3,561,204	2,946,972	22,396,694
1920 ...	8,732,984	4,379,849	1,032,507	1,850,270	3,259,411	3,721,639	22,976,660
1921 ...	6,926,532	3,886,199	1,132,257	1,937,153	2,880,169	3,698,923	20,461,233
1922 ...	6,495,948	5,117,314	1,174,351	2,119,968	2,801,626	4,103,526	21,813,233
1923 ...	7,537,964	6,275,049	1,241,422	2,256,237	2,657,950	4,720,637	24,689,259
1924 ...	11,183,727	6,263,772	1,362,914	2,582,101	2,581,162	5,254,907	29,228,583
1925 ...	9,749,016	†	†	†	2,393,890	†	†

* In the case of Agricultural Production, seasons ended last day of February in following year.
† Information not yet available.

IX.—GOLD MINING STATISTICS.

No. 31.—Annual Gold Production of Western Australia from 1886, comprising Raw Gold entered for Export, plus Raw Gold received at the Perth Branch of the Royal Mint (from May, 1899) ; also amounts of Dividends paid.

Period.	Quantity of Raw Gold.			Value.	Dividends Paid.
	Exported Direct.	Received at Perth Mint.	Total.		
	Fine ounces.	Fine ounces.	Fine ounces.	£	£
Prior to 1921	10,949,750	22,798,641	33,748,391	143,354,054	27,808,747
1921	7,171	546,560	553,731	2,352,098	306,958
1922	5,320	532,926	538,246	2,286,325	191,251
1923	5,934	498,578	504,512	2,143,028	73,750
1924	2,585	482,450	485,035	2,060,298	124,771
1925	3,912	437,340	441,252	1,874,320	54,109
1886 to 31st December, 1925 ...	10,974,672	25,296,495	36,271,167	154,070,123	28,559,586
January, 1926	194	29,108	29,302	124,465	32,500
February, 1926	277	34,408	34,685	147,331	...
March, 1926	546	30,082	30,628	130,101	...
April, 1926	495	43,200	43,695	185,606	...
May, 1926 ... ..	...	35,438	35,438	150,531	...
June, 1926 ... ..	...	39,683	39,683	168,560	...
July, 1926	301	34,815	35,116	149,164	18,750
August, 1926	328	40,565	40,893	173,704	...
September, 1926	144	33,000	33,144	140,788	...
October, 1926	424	41,293	41,717	177,204	...
November, 1926	90	32,120	32,210	136,819	...
December, 1926	389	40,443	40,832	173,443	...
Year, 1926	3,188	434,154	437,343	1,857,716	51,250
From 1886 to 31st December, 1926	10,977,860	25,730,649	36,708,510	155,927,839	28,610,836

* In accordance with prices realised by the Australian Gold Producers' Association on the export sales of gold from 1920 to 1924, the value of the gold production may be increased for total to end of 1926 to £158,517,441.

No. 32.—Monthly Gold Production of Western Australia, being Export of Gold plus Gold received at the Perth Branch of the Royal Mint, from 1916.

Month.	1916.	1921.	1922.	1923.	1924.	1925.	1926.
	Fine ounces.	Fine ounces.	Fine ounces.	Fine ounces.	Fine ounces.	Fine ounces.	Fine ounces.
January	93,985	51,459	38,182	41,916	37,458	31,234	29,302
February	67,970	27,559	42,121	39,117	43,135	32,483	34,685
March	93,993	47,886	42,843	36,021	36,300	32,097	30,628
April	90,528	47,273	46,394	41,653	45,088	39,615	43,695
May	83,878	48,113	39,726	35,869	40,337	34,774	35,438
June	94,682	28,348	49,295	44,664	47,170	39,503	39,683
July	92,637	46,558	43,141	41,346	35,959	34,576	35,116
August	91,735	51,842	49,690	48,459	41,582	44,132	40,893
September	89,871	51,109	46,398	46,272	38,691	34,839	33,144
October	83,691	53,197	49,309	50,724	41,407	38,663	41,717
November	88,338	46,586	46,554	32,704	33,319	35,099	32,210
December	90,090	53,801	44,593	45,767	44,589	44,237	40,832
Total	1,061,398	553,731	538,246	504,512	485,035	441,252	437,343

X.—LIVE STOCK AND WOOL-CLIP.

No. 33.—Number of Live Stock in Western Australia on the 31st December, 1916 to 1925, and Wool-clip during each Year.

Year.	Horses	Cattle.	Sheep.	Pigs.	Goats.	Camels.	Mules and Donkeys.	Wool-clip.	Wool Exported on skins.
								lbs.	lbs.
1916 ...	169,730	863,930	5,529,960	90,756	31,387	5,265	5,445	31,334,638	a
1921 ...	180,334	893,108	6,506,177	63,001	30,352	5,856	8,274	40,702,087	5,598,952
1922 ...	181,159	939,596	6,664,135	67,561	32,337	6,473	10,072	38,592,931	5,546,207
1923 ...	181,944	953,764	6,595,867	61,478	30,824	6,122	10,609	42,815,005	5,240,388
1924 ...	175,116	891,564	6,396,564	86,375	24,542	6,045	10,115	39,526,344	3,780,698
1925 ...	170,563	835,911	6,861,795	74,316	21,596	5,594	10,315	44,009,161	3,538,619

XI.—AGRICULTURE.

No. 34.—Cropping, Clearing, etc., 1916-1917 to 1925-1926.

Season ended last day of February.	Land Cropped, Cleared, etc.						
	Under Crop.	Under artificially-sown grasses.	Newly cleared and prepared for next crops.	In fallow.	Other, previously cropped, now used for grazing, etc.	Ringbarked or partially cleared.	Total.
1917	acres. 2,004,944	acres. 8,327	acres. 362,795	acres. 743,093	acres. 1,388,514	acres. 3,514,876	acres. 8,022,549
1922	1,901,680	18,441	298,699	894,789	1,923,021	2,667,612	7,704,242
1923	2,274,998	25,377	382,994	977,522	2,125,459	2,518,882	8,305,232
1924	2,323,070	38,022	408,156	1,232,030	2,234,820	2,660,106	8,896,204
1925	2,710,856	60,257	410,599	1,353,522	2,215,500	2,349,199	9,099,933
1926	2,932,110	89,170	460,021	1,594,581	2,417,072	2,264,235	9,757,189

No. 35.—Areas under various kinds of Crops in Western Australia, 1916-1917 to 1925-1926.

Season ended last day of February.	Grain Crops.				Hay of all kinds.	Potatoes.	Vine-yards.	Orchards.	Other Crops.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.	Other.					
1917	acres. 1,566,608	acres. 122,220	acres. 11,105	acres. 1,147	acres. 240,726	acres. 5,838	acres. 3,031	acres. 21,752	acres. 32,517
1922	1,336,228	162,866	7,894	1,134	335,561	3,612	3,951	19,012	31,422
1923	1,552,868	214,269	9,243	1,685	431,633	3,621	4,858	19,405	37,416
1924	1,656,915	241,608	8,673	1,863	329,534	4,761	5,235	18,781	55,700
1925	1,867,614	318,982	11,606	2,783	397,591	5,122	5,331	18,525	83,302
1926	2,112,032	278,344	13,306	4,255	391,142	4,262	5,270	18,358	105,141
Forecast, Season 1926-27 †	2,447,372	304,068	15,700	...	*410,155	...	...	...	...

* Wheaten, Oaten and Barley Hay.

† Revised Estimate.

No. 36.—Yield of Principal Crops and quantity of Wine made, 1916-1917 to 1925-1926.

Season ended last day of February.	Principal Grain Crops.			Hay of all kinds.	Potatoes.	Wine.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.			
1917	bushels. 16,103,216	bushels. 1,689,352	bushels. 134,055	tons. 236,989	tons. 16,481	gallons. 220,439
1922	13,904,721	2,019,603	85,857	368,720	13,605	152,299
1923	13,857,432	2,261,863	107,804	457,371	15,198	232,347
1924	18,920,271	2,846,670	97,779	368,122	17,830	233,196
1925	23,837,397	4,241,074	177,537	448,525	19,891	223,761
1926	20,471,177	2,939,380	158,300	355,269	16,052	238,726
Forecast, Season 1926-27 †	30,107,414	4,715,123	208,818	*463,400	...	...

* Wheaten, Oaten and Barley Hay.

† Revised Estimate.

No. 37.—Average Yield per Acre of Principal Crops, 1916-1917 to 1925-1926.

Season ended last day of February.	Principal Grain Crops.			Hay of all kinds.	Potatoes.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.		
1917	bush. 10·28	bush. 13·82	bush. 12·07	tons. 0·98	tons. 2·82
1922	10·41	12·40	10·88	1·10	3·74
1923	8·92	10·56	11·66	1·06	4·20
1924	11·42	11·78	11·27	1·12	3·74
1925	12·79	13·30	15·30	1·13	3·88
1926	9·69	10·56	11·90	0·91	3·77
Forecast, Season 1926-27 †	12·30	15·51	13·30	*1·13	...

* Wheaten, Oaten and Barley Hay.

† Revised Estimate.

XII.—INDUSTRIAL ESTABLISHMENTS.

(Exclusive of Mines.)

No. 38.—Output of the principal Articles manufactured in Industrial Establishments of Western Australia, 1915 to 1924.

Articles, etc., Produced or Treated.		1915.	1920.	1921.	1922.	1923.	1924.
Hides tanned	No.	35,754	31,841	39,277	42,823	48,285	58,159
Skins tanned	"	8,953	42,939	31,473	28,653	9,591	5,852
Leather produced	lbs.	1,287,999	1,259,456	1,496,258	1,558,074	1,817,044	2,181,093
Bricks	No.	21,666,820	31,988,086	23,548,175	28,508,955	34,863,747	34,929,673
Lime burned	tons.	10,068	14,089	8,298	9,808	10,744	9,231
Timber sawn or hewn <i>a</i>	sup. ft	123,494,334	137,933,595	183,663,021	179,059,276	192,546,878	207,136,805
Confectionery	lbs.	1,806,427	2,718,963	2,511,548	2,820,629	3,428,116	3,824,004
Jam	<i>b</i>			418,927	370,800	412,653	<i>b</i>
Pickles	pints	101,370	134,197	56,024	122,092	156,272	160,028
Sauce	"	317,273	301,559	199,368	177,059	212,572	179,028
Vinegar	<i>b</i>		103,400	<i>b</i>	807,344	1,106,920	1,058,248
Wheat ground	bush	1,723,096	5,660,346	3,857,504	4,479,700	5,115,146	5,902,120
Flour made	tons	32,396	120,125	82,148	94,316	107,990	122,192
Aerated Waters	doz.	1,054,570	846,748	876,786	872,935	835,024	845,588
Cordials	"	10,197	49,475	<i>c</i> 107,696	<i>c</i> 109,196	108,968	95,901
Beer and Stout	gall.	5,348,532	5,735,671	5,531,954	4,988,140	4,892,900	5,195,998
Tobacco made	lbs.	6,700	1,295	1,485	1,035	780	9,960
Cigarettes made	No.	322,000	...	...	...	34,212,000	34,800,000
Do.	lbs.	826	...	...	...	72,550	73,557
Cigars made	No.	...	...	...	...	...	1,360,450
Do.	lbs.	...	...	...	...	...	14,615
Boots and Shoes	pairs	193,207	201,885	229,582	314,686	315,578	344,476
Electric Light	Brit. Units	7,240,146	9,707,592	11,080,096	12,416,180	15,213,454	18,002,698
do. Power	"	20,890,550	23,627,843	25,005,598	28,140,706	32,759,086	37,437,188
Gas manufactured	cub. ft.	140,320,200	194,203,000	202,088,400	182,379,500	204,447,400	217,116,500
Value, Total Industrial Production <i>d</i> ...	£	3,233,935	4,854,075	5,239,546	5,789,786	6,128,575	6,958,472

a Including the following quantities (in super. feet).—Hewn outside Industrial Establishments for the Railway Department, Exporters, Coal and Gold Mines, -etc., 1915, 3,104,047; 1920, 6,662,144; 1921, 19,672,258; 1922, 29,470,578; 1923, 30,251,419; 1924, 17,229,019. *b* Not available. *c* Including Hop and "Spot" Lager Beers. *d* Added value, being the total value of output of all industrial establishments *minus* the values of raw material and fuel. The figures are different from those shown in Table No. 30 on page 22 under "Manufacturing," as, under the classification there adopted, several items annually collected from "Industrial Establishments" come under other headings.

XIII.—RETAIL PRICES AND HOUSE RENT. METROPOLITAN AREA, OUTPORTS, AND AGRICULTURAL TOWNS.

No. 39.—Average Retail Prices, September and December, 1926.

Comparison of Metropolitan Area Retail Prices in September and December, 1926, with Perth Retail Prices in July, 1914.

Commodities.	Perth Prices, July, 1914.	September, 1926.		December, 1926.		Index Numbers representing variations in the cost of food and groceries in the undermentioned towns for the quarter ended December, 1926, with weighted average for six capital towns in 1911 as base = 1000.
		(a.) Metro- politan Area.	Percentage Increase as compared with July, 1914.	(a.) Metro- politan Area.	Percentage Increase as compared with July, 1914.	
GROCERIES.						
Flour—Ordinary ... 25lbs.	s. d. 2 8½	s. d. 4 10½	82.17	s. d. 4 10½	82.17	Town. ... Index No.
Tea ... lb.	1 4	2 0½	51.56	2 0½	51.56	
Coffee ... "	1 6½	1 9½	19.17	1 10	20.55	Metropolitan Area ... 1804
Sugar ... "	0 2½	0 4½	63.63	0 4½	63.63	Albany ... 2019
Rice ... "	0 3	0 3½	8.33	0 3½	16.67	Bridgetown ... 2124
Sago ... "	0 2½	0 3½	27.27	0 3½	36.36	Bunbury ... 2017
Jam ... "	0 4½	0 7½	76.47	0 7½	76.47	Collie ... 2078
Oatmeal ... "	0 2½	0 3½	50.00	0 4	60.00	Coolgardie ... 2042
Raisins ... "	0 7	0 5	†28.57	0 6	14.29†	Cue ... 2515
Currants ... "	0 6½	0 5½	†15.39	0 5½	11.54†	Geraldton ... 1985
Starch ... "	0 6	0 9½	54.17	0 9½	54.17	Greenbushes ... 2134
Blue (doz. squares) ... "	0 11	1 4	45.45	1 4	45.45	Gwalia ... 2247
Candles ... lb.	0 7½	0 11½	50.00	0 11½	53.33	Jarnadup ... 2108
Soap ... "	0 3	0 5½	75.00	0 5½	83.33	Jarrahdale ... 2124
Potatoes ... 14lbs.	1 8½	2 4½	39.51	2 3½	35.80	Kalgoorlie ... 1972
Onions ... lb.	0 1½	0 4	128.57	0 2½	42.86	Katanning ... 1908
Kerosene ... gal.	1 2½	1 8½	41.38	1 9	44.83	Leonora ... 2278
Butter ... lb.	1 4	1 11	43.75	1 10½	40.63	Lyall's Mill ... 2091
Cheese ... "	0 11½	1 4	42.22	1 2½	31.11	Manjimup ... 2063
Eggs ... doz.	1 8½	1 3½	23.17	1 6	12.20†	Meekatharra ... 2392
Bacon—Middle ... lb.	1 2	1 7½	39.29	1 7½	37.50	Menzies ... 2393
Shoulder ... "	0 9	0 11½	25.00	0 11	22.22	Merredin ... 2139
Ham ... "	1 3½	1 10½	46.77	1 11	48.39	Mullewa ... 2270
Bread ... 2lbs.	0 3½	0 6	71.43	0 6	71.43	Nanga Brook... 1988
Milk ... qrt.	0 6½	0 8½	36.00	0 8½	32.00	Narrogin ... 1898
MEATS.						
Beef—Sirloin ... lb.	0 8	0 9½	15.63	0 9½	15.63	Norseman ... 2344
Rib ... "	0 6½	0 7½	11.11	0 7½	14.81	Northam ... 1983
Flank ... "	0 5½	0 8	39.13	0 8½	47.83	Northampton ... 2072
Shin ... "	0 6	0 6½	4.17	0 6½	8.33	Pemberton ... 2048
Steak, Rump ... "	0 11½	1 3	30.43	1 3	30.43	Southern Cross ... 2206
" Shoulder ... "	0 7½	0 8½	17.24	0 8½	17.24	Wiluna ... 2943
" Stewing ... "	0 6½	0 7½	7.41	0 7½	11.11	Yarloop ... 1963
Corned, Round ... "	0 7	0 8½	21.43	0 8½	25.00	Yuanmli ... 2761
Brisket with bone ... "	0 4½	0 4½	11.77	0 5	17.65	
" without bone ... "	0 6	0 6½	8.33	0 7	16.67	
Mutton—Leg ... "	0 9	0 9½	2.78	0 9½	2.78	
Shoulder ... "	0 7½	0 7½	...	0 6½	6.90†	
Loin ... "	0 8	0 8½	9.38	0 8½	6.25	
Neck ... "	0 6½	0 6½	†3.70	0 6	11.11†	
Chops, Loin ... "	0 9	0 10	11.11	0 9½	8.33	
" Leg ... "	0 9	0 10½	16.67	0 10	11.11	
" Neck... "	0 7½	0 7½	3.45	0 7	3.45†	
Pork—Leg ... "	0 10½	1 2	33.33	1 1½	28.57	
Loin ... "	0 10½	1 1	23.81	1 1½	26.19	
Belly ... "	0 9½	0 11½	17.95	0 11½	17.95	
Chops ... "	0 11	1 2½	31.82	1 1½	25.00	
All commodities ... "	...	...	35.45	...	...

a Extending from Fremantle to Midland Junction, both inclusive. †Decrease.

No. 40.—Average Weekly House Rents, September and December, 1926.

Period.	Index No.	Percentage Increase as compared with July, 1914.	September, 1926.			December, 1926.		
			(a) Metropolitan Area.	(b) Outports.	(c) Agricultural Towns.	(a) Metropolitan Area.	(b) Outports.	(c) Agricultural Towns.
1914.	1340	...	COTTAGES.					
July ...	...	...	Wood—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
First Quarter (Jan. to Mar.)	1853	38.28	4 rooms ...	0 15 0	0 12 4	0 13 11	0 15 10	0 12 4
Second Quarter (Apr. to June)	1938	44.63	5 rooms ...	0 19 5	0 17 2	0 15 4	0 19 1	0 16 5
Third Quarter (July to Sept.)	1859	38.76	Brick—					
October ...	1809	35.00	4 rooms ...	0 19 2	0 15 4	0 16 0	0 18 8	0 15 0
November ...	1800	34.33	5 rooms ...	1 5 7	1 0 2	1 2 10	1 5 8	1 0 2
December ...	1802	34.5						
Fourth Quarter (Oct. to Dec.)	1804	34.63						

a See Note to Table No. 39.

b Albany, Bunbury, and Geraldton.

c Northam and Katanning. In December the average house rent for the Metropolitan Area was 20/6 as compared with 20/7. in September. In calculating the average rent for each quarter, "weights" representing the number of houses in the Metropolitan Area as disclosed by the 1921 Census were used.

* Representing variations in the cost of food and groceries in the Metropolitan Area for the periods referred to, with weighted average for six capital towns in 1911 as base = 1000.

XIV.—WAGES.

No. 41.—Minimum* Rates of Wages established under Awards of the Courts of Arbitration or Industrial Agreements, as on 31st December, 1926.

Occupation.	Period to which Rates of Wages apply.	No. of Hours in period.	Wages.
MALES—			
Aerated Water Factory Hand	Per week	48	£ s. d. £4 5s. to £4 17s.
Aeroplane Mechanic	do.	44	£5 9 0
Artificial Manure Worker	Per day ... ..	...	0 14 0
Assembler (Agricultural Implement) <i>b</i>	do. ... ..	...	14s. 11d. to 15s. 2d.
Baker	Per week	48	£5 to £5 10s.
Baker (Goldfields)	do.	48	£5 15s. to £6 5s.
Barman	do.	48	5 3 0
Do. (Goldfields)	do.	48	£3 5 0
Bedding Hand	Per day ... ..	...	0 16 10
Blacksmith, Engineering <i>b</i>	Per week	48	£5 9s. to £5 12s.
Blacksmith, Engineering (Goldfields)	do.	48	5 15 0
Boatbuilder and Shipwright	Per day ... ..	...	0 18 4
Boilermaker's Assistant (Engineering)	Per week	48	£1 12s. to £3 6s. 11d.
Bookbinder and Paper-ruler	do.	44	5 9 0
Bootmaker	do.	48	5 1 3
Boxmaker (Wooden)	do.	48	£4 12s. 6d. to £4 15s.
Brass-finisher (Engineering)	do.	48	5 7 4
Brewery Employee	do.	48	4 15 0
Brewery Employee (Goldfields)	do.	44	£5 2s. 6d. to £5 12s. 6d.
Bricklayer	Per hour ... ..	...	0 2 8
Brickyards Employee (adult)	Per day ... ..	...	15s. 5d. to 16s. 9d.
Butcher—Shopman	Per week	44	£5 0 0
Butcher—Shopman (Goldfields)	do.	44	£5 0 0
Cabinetmaker	Per day ... ..	...	£0 17s. 10d.
Carpenter <i>b</i>	Per hour ... ..	...	2s. 6d. to 2s. 7½d.
Carpenters (Goldfields)	Per day ... ..	...	0 18 2
Carter or Horsedriver	Per week	48	£4 14s. 6d. to £5 7s. 6d.
||Carter or Horsedriver (Bush Timber)	do.	48	£4 8 0
Carver (Wood)	Per day ... ..	...	0 18 4
Chairmaker	do. ... ..	...	0 17 10
Cleaner and Caretaker	Per week	48	4 10 0
Clerk (Commercial)—			
Wholesale	do.	44	£1 7s. 6d. to £4 15s.
Retail	do.	48	4 10 0
Coachbuilder, Wheelwright, etc.	do.	48	5 6 0
Compositor (Hand) <i>a</i>	do.	44	5 9 0
Confectioner	do.	48	5 0 0
Cook—			
Chief, where more than one employed	do.	48	£5 8s. to £5 16s.
Other Cooks	do.	48	£4 13s. to £5 3s.
Other Cooks (Goldfields)	do.	48	£3 17 6
Cooks (Railway Refreshment Rooms)	do.	48	6 7 6
Cooper	do.	48	5 14 0
Coppersmith <i>b</i>	do.	48	5 9 0
Carrier	do.	48	4 19 0
Dairyman, Yardman	do.	50	4 5 0
Drawer	Per 1,000 bricks ... ..	...	3s. 2d. to 4s.
Dresser (casting) <i>b</i>	Per week	48	£4 5s. to £4 8s.
Driller (Engineering) <i>b</i>	do.	48	£5 9 0
Driller (Engineering), Goldfields	do.	48	4 17 0
Dyeing Employee	do.	44	4 0 0
Electrical Trade—			
Lineman and Wireman <i>b</i>	do.	48	5 6 0
Lineman and Wireman (Goldfields)	do.	48	5 3 0
Engine-driver—			
Locomotive Engine (not Government Railways)	Per day ... ..	...	19s. 6d. to 23s. 6d.
Stationary Engine (non-condensing)	Per week	48	4 12 0
Traction Engine	do.	48	4 15 0
Fellmonger and Woollscourer	do.	48	4 13 0
Fire Brigade Employee	do.	<i>b</i>	4 10 0
Fireman, Locomotive Engine (not Government Railways)	Per day ... ..	...	16s. 3d. to 19s.
Fireman, Stationary Engine (one boiler)	Per week	48	£4 11s. to £4 14s.
Fitter and Turner (including Electrical)	do.	48	£5 12 0
Do. (Goldfields)	do.	48	5 9 0
Flourmill Employee	do.	44	4 5 6
Food Manufacturer	do.	48	£4 15s. to £5 5s.
French polisher	Per day ... ..	...	0 17 4
Fruit and Produce Market Employee	Per week	48	4 5 0
Gas Works Employee	do.	48	£4 5s. to £5 9s.
Glass Worker (unskilled labour)	do.	48	4 2 6
Hairdresser	do.	48	4 18 0
Hairdresser (Goldfields)	do.	48	4 10 0
Harbour Works Employee	do.	44	£4 11s. to £5 9s.
Harnessmaker and Saddler	do.	48	£5 9 0
Hewer (Sleepers, etc.)	Per load ... ..	...	£2 6s. to £2 8s. 9d.
Hide, Skin, and Wool-Store Employee	Per week	44	4 8 0
Horse-driver (<i>see</i> Carter).			
Jeweller	do.	48	£5 5 0
Joiner	Per day ... ..	...	0 18 0

* South-Western District (in Engineering Award, Perth) rates unless otherwise stated. Where ranges occur, they show minimum rates, varying according to different circumstances connected with the same occupation. In some cases private agreements, which are not yet filed at the Court, have been quoted from. ‡ With board and lodging. || Two horses, 3s for every additional horse up to and including 10. § 2s. 6d. per week extra on Goldfields. Milk and Butchers' Carters provided for in Dairymen's and Butchers' Awards respectively; Brewery Carters in Brewery Agreement. *a* Newspaper rates provided for in separate agreement. *b*. Government employees have special awards, and the hours worked are 44 per week.

No. 41.—Minimum* Rates of Wages established under Awards of the Courts of Arbitration or Industrial Agreements—continued.

Occupation.	Period to which Rates of Wages apply.	No. of Hours in period.	Wages.
MALES—			
Kitchenman, Pantryman, and Sculleryman ...	Per week ...	48	£ s. d. 4 8 0
Labourer, Builders' ...	Per hour ...	...	1s. 11½d. and 2s. 2d.
Labourer (Engineering and Electrical) ...	Per week ...	48	4 5 0
Labourer (Timber Industry) ...	do. ...	48	4 7 0
Laundry Employee ...	Per day ...	...	0 14 0
Letter-press Machinist ...	Per week ...	44	5 5 0
Lighterman ...	do. ...	48	4 15 6
Lime Worker ...	Per hour ...	...	1s. 10½d. to 2s.
Linotype Operator <i>b</i> ...	Per week ...	42	6 11 0
Machinist, First class (Engineering) <i>h</i> ...	do. ...	48	5 9 0
Machinists First Class (Engineering)—Goldfields	do. ...	48	5 9 0
Machinist (Wood) ...	Per day ...	...	14s. 8d. to 17s. 4d.
Machinist (Furniture Trade) ...	do. ...	...	18s. 4d.
Marine Diver ...	<i>a</i> ...	...	1 10 0
Marine Store Employee ...	Per week ...	48	4 0 0
Mason (Monumental) ...	Per hour ...	...	0 2 7
Mattress Maker (Wire) ...	Per day ...	...	0 17 4
Miller (Shift), sawmill ...	Per week ...	44	5 0 6
Miner, Coal (labourer on coal mine) ...	Per shift ...	7	0 16 6
Miner (Gold)—			
Machine (in Shafts, Rises, and Winzes) ...	do. ...	...	16s. 10d. to 17s. 8d.
Machine (in other places) ...	do. ...	...	0 16 6
Hand Labour (in Shafts, Rises, and Winzes)	do. ...	...	16s. to 16s. 10d.
Hand Labour (in other places) ...	do. ...	...	0 15 8
Monotype Operator ...	Per week ...	42	6 11 0
Motor Car Drivers ...	do. ...	48	£4 16s. to £5
Motor Lorry Driver <i>d</i> ...	do. ...	48	†£4 14s. to £5 2s. 0
Motor Mechanic ...	do. ...	48	5 3 0
Motor Mechanic (Engineering), Goldfields ...	do. ...	48	5 9 0
Moulder (Metal) <i>h</i> ...	do. ...	48	£5 6s. to £5 9s.
Musician (Picture and Theatrical Shows) ...	do. (6 nights) ...	Special hours	/ £4 10s. to £5 5s.
Navy or Tramway Builder—Timber Industry	do. ...	48	4 8 0
Offbearer (Brickmaking) ...	Per day ...	...	0 15 4
Optical Mechanic ...	Per week ...	48	4 16 0
Orderly (Hospital) ...	do. ...	48	†£2 19s. 3d. to £3 15s. 5d.
Orderly (Hospital), Goldfields ...	do. ...	48	£2 15 0
Packer (Shop Assistants) ...	do. ...	...	4 15 0
Painter and Paperhanger ...	do. ...	48	5 9 0
Pastrycook ...	do. ...	48	£5 5s. to £5 12s. 6d.
Patternmaker <i>h</i> ...	do. ...	48	6 1 0
Photographic Employee ...	do. ...	44	4 5 0
Pipemaker (Vertical) ...	Per hour ...	...	0 1 11½
Planer, etc. (Engineering) ...	Per week ...	48	£5 9s. to £5 12s. 6d.
Planer, etc. (Engineering)—Goldfields ...	do. ...	48	5 9 0
Plasterer ...	Per hour ...	...	0 2 8
Plumber <i>g</i> ...	do. ...	44	2s. 8d. 2/11
Plumber (Goldfields) ...	Per shift ...	...	0 19 0
Porter (Hotel) ...	Per week ...	48	£4 8s. to £4 13s.
Pottery and Tile Employee (Adult) ...	Per day ...	...	14s. 10d. to 16s. 6d.
Quarryman ...	Per week ...	44	£4 15s. 4d. to £4 15s. 8d.
Sanitary Employee—Municipal (Perth) ...	Per shift ...	8	13s. 4d. to 15s. 10d.
Saw Filer ...	Per week ...	48	4 16 0
Sawyer—Bush Timber Mills ...	do. ...	48	£4 8s. to £5 6s.
Sawyer—City Timber Mills ...	do. ...	47	£4 14s. 6d. to £5 7s. 6d.
Sculleryman (Goldfields) ...	do. ...	60	£2 0 0
Setter (Brickmaking) ...	Per day ...	...	0 15 10
Shearer ...	Per 100 sheep ...	...	c 1 18 0
Shed Hand (Shearing, etc.) ...	Per week ...	44	£3 15 10
Sheet Fibrous Plaster Worker ...	Per hour... ..	...	1s. 11d. to 2s. 3½d.
Sheet Metal Worker ...	Per week ...	48	£5 1s. to £5 5s.
Shop Assistant—			
General ...	do. ...	...	4 15 0
Juniors ...	do. ...	...	14s. 11d. to £3 4s. 10d.
Canvasser ...	do. ...	...	£4 14s. 6d.
Shop Assistant (Goldfields), Adult ...	do. ...	48	£4 15s. to £4 19s. 6d.
Shop Assistant (Goldfields), Junior ...	do. ...	44 and 48	17s. 6d. to £2 15s.
Slaughterman ...	do. ...	44	5 12 6
Slaughterman (Goldfields) ...	do. ...	48	5 10 0
Smallgoodsman (Butcher's) ...	do. ...	44	£5 5s. to £5 10s.
Do. do. (Goldfields) ...	do. ...	48	6 0 0
Spotter—Timber Industry ...	do. ...	48	5 0 0
Stableman ...	do. ...	48	4 18 0
Storeman and Despatch Hand (Shop Assistants)	do. ...	...	£4 15s. to £4 17s.
Striker—Blacksmith's (Engineering) <i>h</i> ...	do. ...	48	4 5 0
Superphosphate Worker ...	Per day ...	8	14s. to 16s.
Survey Hand ...	do. ...	...	0 15 4
Tailor Out—Bush Timber Mills ...	Per week ...	48	£4 8s. to £4 11s. 6d.
Tailor Out—City Timber Mills ...	do. ...	47	4 10 6
Tailor (Male hand) ...	do. ...	44	£4 17s. to £5 17s.
Do. (Goldfields) ...	do. ...	48	5 0 0
Tailor's Presser ...	do. ...	44	5 2 0
Taker-off and Trucker (Brickmaking), double machine	Per day ...	...	0 14 6
Tallyman (City Sawmills) ...	Per week ...	47	4 16 6

* See note * on page 27.

† 2s. 6d. per week extra on goldfields.

‡ With board and lodging.

a Per day or part of day engaged in diving.

b See note *a* to Compositor on page 27.

c If ration

"found," 25/4 per week is deducted.

d Motor vehicles which provide seating accommodation for more

than seven persons.

f Extra 14s. to 15s. each matinee.

g The higher rate. Includes ½d. per

hour for own tools and ½d. per hour in lieu of holidays.

h See note *h* on page 27.

No. 41.—Minimum * Rates of Wages established under Awards of the Courts of Arbitration or Industrial Agreements—continued.

Occupation.	Period to which Rates of Wages apply.	No. of Hours in period.	Wages.
MALES—			
Tannery Employee (Unskilled)	Per week	48	£ s. d. 4 3 6
Timber Sorter (City Sawmills)	do.	47	£4 10s. to £4 16s. 6d.
Truck-loader (Flourmilling)	do.	44	4 3 6
Turner (Wood)	Per day ... ..	...	0 17 10
Undertaker's Employee	Per week	48	£4 5s. to £5 5s. 6d.
Unhairer and Scudder—Tannery	do.	48	4 9 0
Upholsterer	Per day ... ..	...	0 17 4
Vineyard Employee	Per week	48	3 14 6
Waiter	do.	48	4 12 0
Watchmaker, Clockmaker (including repair work)	do.	48	5 9 0
Water Supply and Sewerage employee (Labourer)	Per day ... ..	...	0 13 4
Wharf Labourer—			
General Cargo Work (all ports)	Per hour ... ..	...	d 0 2 9½
Overtime (ordinary)	do. ... ..	...	0 3 9
Coal (including explosives), Fremantle, Perth, Bunbury, and Geraldton	do. ... ..	...	d 0 3 1
Overtime (ordinary)	do. ... ..	...	0 4 0
Wicker Worker	Per day ... ..	...	0 16 10
Winchman, log landing	Per week	48	4 9 0
Wine and Spirit Warehouse employee	do.	48	£4 12s. 6d. to £5 4s.
Wool Scourer (see Fellmonger).	do.	48	4 8 0
Yardman (Hotel)	do.	48	4 8 0
Railway and Tramway Servants—			
Government Railways: (e)			
Car Conductor	Per day ... ..	...	0 13 10
Chainman	do.	†	0 16 0½
Cleaner, Locomotive (21 years and over)	do. ... ..	...	15s. 9d. to 16s. 1d.
Cleaner, Locomotive (under 21 years)	do. ... ..	...	7s. 10d. to 11s. 8d.
Engine-driver, Locomotive	do. ... ..	...	19s. 6d. to £1 3s. 10d.
Engine-driver (Stationary)	do. ... ..	...	16s. 6d. to 17s. 6d.
Fireman, Locomotive	do. ... ..	...	16s. 3d. to 19s. 3d.
Guard (average)	do. ... ..	...	0 17 4
Platelayer and Repairer (including Gangers)	do.	†	15s. 0½d. to 19s. 6½d.
Porter	do. ... ..	...	13s. 4d. to 15s. 10d.
Shunter	do. ... ..	...	14s. 4d. to 16s. 4d.
Signalman	do. ... ..	...	13s. 10d. to 17s. 10d.
Storeman	do. ... ..	...	14s. 4d. to 16s. 6d.
Washoutmen, Packers and Trimmers	do. ... ..	...	16s. 3d. to 17s. 8d.
Government Tramways: (e)			
Conductor or Motorman	do. ... ..	...	15s. 10d. to 17s. 1d.
Ganger	do. ... ..	...	19s. 5d. to 21s. 8d.
Other Tramways:			
Conductor or Motorman (Fremantle)	do. ... ..	...	0 15 10
Conductor or Motorman (Goldfields)	do. ... ..	...	0 15 5
FEMALES—			
Barmaid	Per week	48	5 3 0
Barmaid (Goldfields)	do.	44	a 3 5 0
Box-maker (after 4 years)	do.	44	2 7 6
Box-maker (juniors)	do.	44	15s. to £2
Clerk (Commercial)—			
Wholesale	do.	44	3 2 8
Retail	do.	44	2 15 0
Cleaner (c)	Per hour ... ..	...	0 1 6
Cook	Per week	44	£3 14s. to £4 15s.
Cook (Goldfields Hospital)	do.	48	£2 10s. 8d. to £2 18s. 11d.
Cook or Kitchen Hand in charge (Adults)—			
Tea Rooms (Goldfields)	do.	48	a £1 19s. to £2 1s. 6d.
Counter Hand (Tea Rooms, etc.)	do.	44	3 7 6
Dressmaker (order)	do.	48	£2 8s. 6d. to £2 10s. 6d.
Dressmaker (factory)	do.	44	£2 6s. 6d. to £2 9s. 6d.
Dyeing and Cleaning Hand	do.	44	2 15 0
Food Manufacturer	do.	44	2 7 8
Furniture Trade	Per day ... ..	...	0 8 10½
Juniors	Per week	44	16s. 2d. to 43s. 1d.
Kitchenmaid, Pantrymaid, Scullerymaid (Adult)	do.	44	3 5 3
Kitchenmaid, etc., (Hotels, Goldfields)	do.	48	a 2 1 6
Laundry Worker	Per day ... ..	...	0 9 0
Milliner	Per week	44	2 6 6
Photographic Employee	do.	44	2 10 0
Printing and Bookbinding—			
Seniors	do.	44	2 5 0
Juniors	do.	44	13s. 4d. to £2 0s. 9d.
Saddlery	do.	45	£2 18s. 4d. to £5 6s. 8d.
Shop Assistant	do.	44	£2 14s. 2d. to £2 19s. 2d.
Juniors	do.	44	14s. 9d. to £2 18s. 8d.
Shop Assistant (Goldfields), Adult	do.	44	2 12 6
Shop Assistant (Goldfields), Junior	do.	44	12s. 6d. to £2 5s.
Tailoress (including Cutters)	do.	44	£2 13s. 1½d. to £5 10s.
Tailoress (Slop Clothing)	do.	44	£2 8s. 8d. to £2 11s. 8d.
Waitress	do.	44	£2 18s. to £3 5s. 3d.
Do. (Tea Rooms and Restaurants, Goldfields)	do.	48	b 1 16 6
Do. (Hotels, Goldfields)	do.	48	a 2 1 6
Whiteworker	do.	44	£2 6s. 6d. to £2 14s. 6d.

* See note * on page 27.

† Weekly wage calculated on the basis of 5½ working days of eight hours.

a With board and lodging.

b In Tea Rooms board only. In Restaurants 7s. 6d. lodging allowance also.

c If employed for less than 25 hours per week, 1s. 9d. per hour.

d From 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday.

e Shunters from 23-12-24, others from 1-1-25.

XV.—METEOROLOGICAL STATISTICS.

No. 42.—Notes on the Rainfall of Western Australia for October, November, and December, and the Year 1926.

October.—The month was characterised by a recurrence of the violent wind and rain producing disturbances which were experienced in the mid-winter months, and practically throughout the West and South-West coastal and agricultural country the averages were greatly exceeded. The heaviest inland registrations were effected on the 4th, 9th and 22nd but lighter showers were of frequent occurrence, while in coastal regions, more particularly in the extreme South-West, rain was registered on 18 to 20 days throughout the month.

The most conspicuous excesses above the average were noted in the valleys of the Preston and Collie Rivers, Collie with 837 points being the heaviest reported registration amongst telegraphic reporting stations. This represented an excess of over five inches above the normal for the month, and was the heaviest fall ever experienced during October at that station. The result was apparent towards the close of the month when both the Preston and Collie Rivers again approached flood level. Fortunately the concluding days were fine and the rivers rapidly subsided.

The good falls extended inland to the most Easterly of the wheat growing centres, although in the neighbourhood of Southern Cross the average was not reached. Further Eastward only a few showers of minor importance were experienced, while the Gascoyne and Murchison were visited only by a few trivial falls.

Although of little actual value the occurrence of light showers in the Kimberley district in the latter half of the month was of interest as suggesting that the summer rains were making an early commencement in our tropical regions.

November.—The month's rain totals showed an almost general increase throughout the State South of the Tropics, when compared with the usual November gaugings. Exceptions were noted in the extreme South-West and through the South Coolgardie Goldfields, while decreases were also met with throughout the Kimberley and the coastal areas of the North-West and West Gascoyne.

The rain was the result of tropical depressions travelling from the North-West coast, and these, associated with Southern depressions moving Northwards along our coast, caused some good falls, with thunder, over the Gascoyne, Goldfields, agricultural districts and South-West coastal areas. As often happens, this combination of weather forces was productive of a very uneven distribution, and whereas slight defects were noted at some of the extreme Eastern agricultural centres, on the other hand Bolgart with 227 points exceeded the average by 194 points, while Toodyay was 141 points and Northam 124 points above the average.

The most extensive agricultural rains fell on the 7th, 19th, 25th and 26th, and were associated with thunder and in some instances hail. These rains also extended through the Goldfields and Gascoyne where the registrations showed the same uneven distribution. At many centres, however, splendid falls, the best since last March, were experienced, and the benefits must be almost incalculable. Coastal areas from Carnarvon Northward to Broome, and the greater part of the West Kimberley, however, where a good downpour is urgently needed, did not share in these benefits.

December.—The outstanding feature of the month's rainfall was the heavy falls in the Kimberley districts, which were due chiefly to the "willy-willy" disturbance in the third week. This storm spent its greatest force between Derby and La Grange Bay, the latter station registering the rather unusual amount of 7.50 inches for the 24-hour period ended 8 a.m. on the 23rd. At the same station the maximum total for the month (15.41 inches) was registered, but Derby with 13.26 inches and Broome with 11.35 were also greatly in excess of the normal for the month.

In the remainder of the tropical districts, and through the Gascoyne, Murchison, and agricultural districts, the month's rainfall was not remarkable, although here and there the averages were exceeded, mainly as a result of general thundery rains between the 12th and 15th. On parts of the North-West coast the 25th was also responsible for some heavy falls (2.17 at Whim Creek).

The falls of the 12th to 15th, above mentioned, were particularly valuable on the North Coolgardie Goldfield, where most of the stations registered over one and a-half inches, and

the averages were, of course, greatly exceeded. On the Southern fields and in the agricultural districts these rains were much lighter, but sufficed to maintain pasturage and to partially replenish water supplies.

Year 1926.—Taking the year as a whole, the averages were greatly exceeded in the Kimberley and the greater part of the agricultural districts, although some defects were noted in the Midland and extreme Eastern country. The heaviest deficiencies were recorded in the West Gascoyne, but the greater part of the De Grey, Coolgardie Goldfields and South Coastal regions also showed shortages. On the Murchison the year had been a good one, except at some of the more Northerly stations.

Throughout the Kimberleys good rains fell during the first five months of the year. The outstanding features were a willy-willy which traversed the country between Derby and Broome on January 22nd and 23rd, the floods from Hall's Creek and Fitroy Crossing during the end of that month, and the extremely heavy coastal rain from Derby to Condon in April. After the usual dry winter there was a weak rainfall in November, but during December thunderstorms increased in frequency and intensity, and at the end of December the outlook for the coming season was most satisfactory. Derby and Broome were again visited by a willy-willy on December 21st, and although its fiercest intensity was felt at Broome, no damage was reported.

In the North-West, Gascoyne and Goldfields pastoral divisions, although some good falls were reported here and there at some of the inland centres, the most widespread rain occurred between March 8 and 10 when an extensive tropical depression brought rain which extended throughout the State, floods being experienced in the Gascoyne and Murchison country. Occasional falls were noted during the winter, the Murchison country receiving the greatest benefit. It was not until November that the Gascoyne reported another general registration, which also occurred in the Goldfields areas in November and December. The North-Western division, however, fared badly, as very little rain beyond scattered thunderstorms was reported since March.

In the agricultural and South-Western areas rains in March not only relieved a rather serious water shortage, but softened the ground enough to permit an early start to be made with seasonal operations. Good wheat rains began early in April and continued till November, July being phenomenally wet. At many stations near the metropolis and through the Great Southern district absolute records for July, and in some instances for all months, were created. All rivers from the Swan southward and large areas of the inland lake drainages were heavily flooded. August and September saw an easing off, but October was rather wetter than usual, especially in the extreme South-West, where some of the rivers again approached flood levels.

As a result of the ample rainfall throughout the wheat belt, a remarkably fine harvest was being reaped, despite slight checks due to a dry spell in September, and also to frosts at the ripening period, whilst the rough weather towards the end of the year greatly hindered farming operations and caused a considerable loss of grain.

Very heavy coastal weather was experienced throughout the winter, which was probably one of the roughest, if not the roughest, ever experienced.

One of the severest droughts on record occurred in the Carnarvon district. Practically no rain fell throughout the year, beyond trivial showers.

No. 43.—Abstract of Meteorological Observations.

(a) At Perth (Latitude, 31° 57' S. Altitude above mean sea-level, 197 feet. Longitude, 115° 51' E.)

1926.	Barometer.*				Shade Temperature.								Evaporation.		Rainfall.			
	Average for 41 years.	Highest.	Lowest.	Mean Maximum.	Mean Minimum.	Maximum on any one day.	Minimum on any one day.	Highest previous record since 1897.		Lowest previous record since 1897.		Inches.	Aver. 27 yrs., Inches.	Total.		Average for 51 years.		
								Max.	Date.	Min.	Date.			Inches.	Days.	Inches.	Days.	
Jan. ...	29·91	30·17	29·61	89	66	106	56	108	1921	50	1921	11·04	10·37	0·03	2	0·35	3	
Feb. ...	·92	·26	·73	80	61	101	54	107	1915	48	1902	7·83	8·58	0·61	5	·45	2	
Mar. ...	·99	·27	·85	79	60	98	53	106	1914	46	1903	6·92	7·63	1·91	7	·77	4	
Apl. ...	30·08	·35	·69	73	57	90	42	100	1910	39	1914	3·81	4·76	5·85	19	1·57	9	
May ...	·07	·39	·54	68	53	75	44	90	1917	34	1914	3·08	2·72	6·37	16	4·94	15	
June ...	·06	·44	·63	64	49	71	41	82	1914	35	1920	1·81	1·75	6·85	17	6·92	18	
July ...	·09	·37	·37	61	50	68	40	76	1921	34	1916	1·88	1·74	12·28	27	6·46	17	
Aug. ...	·09	·39	·63	62	49	68	39	81	1914	35	1908	2·33	2·38	6·12	24	5·62	17	
Sept. ...	·06	·48	·64	68	50	85	43	91	1918	39	1913	3·42	3·31	3·91	17	3·40	14	
Oct. ...	·03	·34	·43	69	54	87	48	93	1906	41	1917	4·98	5·22	3·67	19	2·18	13	
Nov. ...	29·99	·24	·58	77	58	96	48	95	1913	42	1904	7·42	7·63	1·59	12	0·79	6	
Dec. ...	·93	·22	·61	84	60	102	50	108	1904	48	1910	10·68	9·77	0·03	2	·58	4	
Mean...	30·02			73	56													
Extreme		30·48	29·37			106	39	108·4	28-1-21	34·2	7-7-16							
Total ...												65·20	65·86	49·22	167	34·03	122	

* In addition to other corrections further correction for standard gravity has been applied.

(b) Annual Rainfall in Meteorological Land Divisions in Western Australia during 1925, with averages to end of 1924.

Land Divisions.	Rainfall during 1925.		Average, previous years.		Period of Observations of Normal.	
	Range.	Mean.	Range of Means.	Average.	Range.	Average.
North Kimberley ...	33·13 to 34·19	33·72	26·85 to 36·08	31·46	16 to 38	Years.
East Kimberley ...	16·84 " 32·98	24·62	18·67 " 32·74	24·62	14 " 32	22
West Kimberley ...	11·83 " 28·79	18·10	12·84 " 34·67	23·10	15 " 39	24
De Grey ...	5·20 " 19·44	11·71	10·47 " 15·75	12·06	16 " 37	24
Portescue ...	6·12 " 14·54	9·82	8·41 " 15·69	12·13	13 " 39	27
West Gascoyne ...	4·60 " 8·95	6·18	8·04 " 13·78	9·76	15 " 43	24
East Gascoyne ...	6·30 " 15·38	10·60	7·85 " 11·28	9·36	14 " 37	23
South West—						
North Coastal ...	12·51 " 22·89	16·48	10·68 " 21·52	16·78	15 " 48	25
Central Coastal ...	19·51 " 47·06	30·36	21·56 " 55·81	35·24	12 " 47	28
South Coastal ...	18·28 " 50·05	31·68	21·45 " 60·17	37·80	13 " 48	25
Central North ...	6·73 " 20·54	13·74	9·43 " 21·23	13·54	15 " 45	22
Central South ...	10·48 " 31·75	15·88	12·73 " 28·66	18·00	15 " 49	23
North-East ...	9·90 " 15·69	12·77	7·56 " 9·65	8·23	13 " 27	16
South-East ...	7·10 " 22·16	12·76	8·25 " 12·03	9·97	15 " 35	24
Eucia ...	9·29 " 23·25	13·39	9·31 " 15·27	11·39	14 " 40	29

XVI.—PARLIAMENTARY ROLLS.

No. 44.—Legislative Assembly, Number on Rolls, 30th June 1926, and General Election,
22nd March, 1924.

District.	Net Enrolment.			District.	Net Enrolment.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.		Males.	Females.	Total.
Albany	2,599	2,405	5,004	Mount Magnet ...	697	283	980
*Avon	3,166	1,716	4,882	Mount Margaret ...	361	100	461
Beverley	1,338	900	2,238	Murchison	786	319	1,105
Boulder	1,265	1,212	2,477	Murray-Wellington ...	2,597	1,967	4,564
Brown Hill-Ivanhoe ...	1,348	1,039	2,387	Nelson	3,158	2,290	5,448
Bunbury	1,763	1,830	3,593	*Northam	1,745	1,592	3,337
Canning	7,073	8,043	15,116	Perth	2,892	2,525	5,417
Claremont	4,431	5,111	9,542	Perth, East	3,769	4,821	8,590
Collie	2,477	1,840	4,317	Perth, North	3,630	4,915	8,545
Coolgardie	738	364	1,102	Perth, West	2,419	3,510	5,929
Cue	382	181	563	Pilbara	473	92	565
Forrest	1,992	1,044	3,036	Pingelly	1,629	1,079	2,708
Fremantle	2,297	2,348	4,645	Roebourne	444	118	562
Fremantle, North-East	3,697	4,071	7,768	Subiaco	4,764	6,202	10,966
Fremantle, South ...	2,778	2,651	5,429	Sussex	2,430	1,804	4,234
Gascoyne	967	320	1,287	Swan	2,596	2,268	4,864
Geraldton	1,453	1,249	2,702	*Toodyay	2,956	1,752	4,708
Greenough	1,959	1,057	3,016	Wagin	1,889	1,234	3,123
Guildford	4,815	5,042	9,857	Williams-Narrogin ...	2,732	1,898	4,630
Hannans	467	382	849	Yilgarn	813	362	1,175
Irwin	2,342	1,167	3,509	York	2,429	1,593	4,022
Kalgoorlie	2,051	1,937	3,988	Total	109,059	97,486	206,545
Kanowna	950	416	1,366	Election—22-3-24.			
Katanning	2,471	1,830	4,301	Names on Roll ...	101,717	88,152	189,869
Kimberley	808	236	1,044	In Contested Districts	84,780	74,576	159,356
Leederville	5,316	6,683	11,999	Votes recorded ...	55,591	43,800	†99,391
Menzies	211	96	307				
Moore	2,195	1,346	3,541				
Mount Leonora ...	501	246	747				

* Enrolment as on 13th August, 1926.

† Including 1,151 informal votes.

No. 45.—Legislative Council, Net Enrolment, 30th June, 1926, and Biennial Elections,
8th May, 1926.

Province.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Province.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Central	3,980	900	4,880	South-West	6,083	1,309	7,392
East	6,751	1,429	8,180	West	5,761	2,304	8,065
Metropolitan	4,774	2,316	7,090	Total	52,317	17,740	70,057
Metropolitan-Suburban	14,304	6,720	21,024	Election—8-5-26.			
North	534	84	618	Names on Roll ...	52,129	17,598	69,727
North-East	2,198	983	3,181	In contested Provinces	39,566	15,120	54,686
South	2,524	705	3,229	Votes recorded ...	23,956	8,136	*32,092
South-East	5,408	990	6,398				

* Including 507 informal votes.

XVII.—PROHIBITION POLL, 4th April, 1925.

No. 46.—Results for the whole State of the Prohibition Poll taken under the provisions of
“The Licensing Act, 1911.”

Electors in State.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Valid Votes.	For Prohibition.	Against Prohibition.	Total.
Enrolled 4th April, 1925	106,535	93,677	200,212	Recorded ...	41,862	77,113	118,475
Votes recorded	66,359	52,774	119,133*				

* Including 658 informal votes.

XVIII.—CENSUS OF 4th APRIL, 1921.

No. 47.—Population and Dwellings in Perth and Suburbs.

Local Government Area.*	Population.			Dwellings.			
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Occupied.	Un-occupied.	Being Built.	Total.
Bayswater RD (Part)	1,134	1,171	2,305	574	28	3	605
Belmont Park RD	1,017	849	1,866	434	22	...	456
Claremont M	2,530	2,981	5,511	1,128	12	2	1,142
Claremont RD	2,062	1,495	3,557	676	42	10	728
Cottesloe M	2,220	2,813	5,033	1,027	45	8	1,080
Cottesloe Beach RD	1,546	1,675	3,221	702	20	3	725
Fremantle M	8,858	8,708	17,566	3,358	74	5	3,437
Fremantle, East M	2,145	2,278	4,423	935	21	15	971
Fremantle, North M	1,747	1,798	3,545	708	25	...	733
Guildford M	943	933	1,876	385	18	1	404
Guildford, West † RD (Part)	1,295	1,375	2,670	605	37	6	648
Melville RD (Part)	1,144	1,178	2,322	491	45	3	539
Midland Junction M	2,483	2,454	4,937	1,068	28	2	1,098
Peppermint Grove RD	433	677	1,110	209	5	...	214
Perth M	30,696	33,470	64,166	12,521	295	89	12,905
Perth RD (Part)	5,939	5,915	11,854	2,417	98	8	2,523
Perth, South M	1,370	1,590	2,960	667	63	5	735
Queen's Park RD	1,083	923	2,006	441	16	1	458
Subiaco M	6,292	7,355	13,647	3,028	75	38	3,141
Swan RD (Part)	151	147	298	64	1	...	65
Total	75,088	79,785	154,873	31,438	970	199	32,607

* M—Municipality ; RD—Road District. † Now Bassendean.

NOTE.—For population of Municipalities and Road Board Districts throughout the State, see No. 232 issue for December Quarter of 1923.

No. 48.—Summary of Results relating to Population and Dwellings.

Particulars.	4th April, 1921.				3rd April, 1911.	* Increase during ten years, 1911-1921.
	Urban.		Rural.	Whole State.	Whole State.	
	Metropolitan.	Provincial.				
Area in square miles	136.82	53.08	975,730	975,920	975,920	...
Population—						
Males	75,088	21,291	76,698	a177,278	a161,565	15,713
Females	79,785	21,280	53,400	a155,454	a120,549	34,905
Persons	154,873	42,571	130,098	a332,732	a282,114	50,618
Per square mile	1,131.95	802.02	0.13	0.34	0.29	0.05
Dwellings—						
Occupied	31,441	9,215	32,894	73,550	68,775	4,775
Unoccupied	970	520	1,784	3,274	b 3,158	b 116
Being built	199	32	58	289	b 74	b 215
Total	32,610	9,767	34,736	77,113	72,007	5,106
Per square mile	238.34	184.01	0.04	0.08	0.07	0.01
Occupied Dwellings—						
Private Houses, Tenements, and Flats	29,741	8,681	31,763	† 70,185	† 66,553	3,632
Other than private	1,700	534	1,131	3,365	2,222	1,143
Total Occupied Dwellings	31,441	9,215	32,894	73,550	68,775	4,775
Per square mile	229.80	173.61	0.03	0.08	0.07	0.01
Occupied Private Dwellings—						
Average weekly Rental Value of all Private Dwellings	18s. 9d.	13s. 1d.	9s. 6d.	13s. 10d.	10s. 7d.	3s. 3d.
Average Weekly Rental Value of Private Dwellings occupied by tenants	17s. 9d.	13s. 0d.	8s. 6d.	14s. 2d.	c 10s. 10d	3s. 4d.
Rooms per occupied Private Dwelling	4.67	4.51	3.71	4.22	3.67	0.55
Inmates per occupied Private Dwelling	4.43	4.24	3.77	4.11	3.68	0.43
Inmates per room in occupied Private Dwelling	0.95	0.94	1.02	0.97	1.00	— 0.03

* Minus sign (—) indicates a decrease.

a Includes Migratory Population (persons on board ships, trains, etc.), which is not included in any subdivision of the State. b Incomplete owing to defective collection in certain cases. c Estimated on the basis of all private dwellings. † The numbers of occupied private dwellings in 1921 in the Urban and Rural portions of the State respectively, grouped according to the material of the outer walls, were: Stone or brick, 20,467 and 4,076; Wood, 14,769 and 14,128; Iron, 2,724 and 6,177; Calico, Canvas, Hessian, etc., 147 and 4,927; Sun-dried bricks, 67 and 1,611; all other, 248 and 844. For 1911 throughout the whole State the totals grouped under the same materials were: 18,917; 20,611; 10,109; 14,216; 1,530; 1,170. In 1921 dwellings occupied by owners numbered in the Urban and Rural districts respectively 14,100 and 18,000; by purchasers by instalments, 6,809 and 1,889; by tenants, 16,252 and 7,654.